

THE TRUTH ABOUT "WORSHIP STYLES!"

[The following article we picked up we believe was written in 1995. It talks about the issue of "Worship Styles": an unheard of issue that more proves that through the "big thinking" of the Jesuits in leadership positions and throughout the laity among us, the Adventist Church is a cult--totally different from God's Church throughout the entire age of this planet!]

Worship styles? I never heard about the concept when I was growing up, did you? I didn't hear about it in 1965, 1970, 1975 nor 1980. I didn't hear about it in 1985. I then started to hear about it after 1990.

I then checked our literature. I found nothing mentioned about worship styles since the inception of our church till after 1990 again. I checked Christian literature and did not find the concept since the inception of Christendom. I checked the Bible, and again, I did not find the concept anywhere throughout the history of the earth.

But now, I am inundated by people telling me not only that such a concept exists, but that it is biblically based. True Adventists know this to be false, yet some are willing to hold on to this false concept to the bitter end.

It was not long ago while I was in college when in theology class, I heard the instructor expound upon people within the church who were saying that the church was no longer following "the blueprint." This instructor made it a point of saying that neither the Bible nor the Spirit of Prophecy ever used the word, "blueprint," and then went on to be hyper-literal in stating that a blueprint is a document which reveals the structure of a building showing where all the "bricks" go. I was horrified at what he was telling me. My instructor then showed us a publication which revealed the same words. I have since found a few other denominationally sponsored publications expressing the same sentiments and words.

I was disgusted, for I knew that whenever someone used the word "blueprint," he merely meant "plan." He or she was saying that the denominational establishment no longer followed "the plan" which the Lord laid out for her. What my instructor was therefore saying was that because the literal words do not match with what people who believed "the church" strayed from her mission were saying, their whole argument was false.

Lo and behold! We now hear about something called "worship styles." Do we find the words anywhere in inspiration? Do we find them in the Bible? Do we find them in the writings of the Spirit of Prophecy? The answer to these questions is NO. But yet people in position and influence within our church insist that there is such a thing as "worship styles" and that we as Seventh-day Adventists MUST make allowances for people and cultures who worship under a different "worship style" than we do. As usual, while formerly being dependent on an opinion poll before they push anything upon the Adventist multitudes, they have pushed this concept, along with the buzz-word "Celebration" upon us without telling us. Why did they do this?

There are some however today who know very well that worship is not a cultural issue and that there is no such a thing as "worship styles." They know that this is not a biblical concept. These people are continually denounced and are even called "offshoots," even though they consistently speak the same words the Seventh-day Adventist Church and Protestantism has always spoken, while these men with the new

ideas speak different and even contradictory words. You are about to see that these people who resist this scandalous farce are in fact correct.

Of course, as one proof that this issue is not a cultural one, you must understand again that these sentiments concerning "worship styles" were unheard of in the history of Seventh-day Adventism and Christianity itself. You and I know that in 1965, there was only one way of worship or "worship style"--as they are determined to have us believe--all over the world. The same is true again throughout the history of Christianity. Wherever Seventh-day Adventism went--to whichever culture--there was only one way to worship as we had witnessed in the Bible.

Dr. Folkenberg visited a church I was attending in 1994 and gave a sermon. In this sermon, he immediately, as is common, started to attack God's people by taking the wrong side on this issue, the existence of which is inexcusable.

He started to talk about the many countries he traveled to where he stated they were "celebrating." Whether it be in the South Pacific or Europe or Australia or wherever, for some strange reason, every culture in the world is engaging in that one "worship style!" Everyone is "celebrating!" I turn on a Jewish program on the radio one Friday night, and lo and behold, every two words spoken by the Jewish rabbi is "celebration," and "acceptance" and "rejoice," and "unity." The Rabbi then describes his service as a "dramaturgical" experience, stating that the old way of doing things no longer makes it for the 90s. He used the word "DRAMA!" All the churches are doing this. Why! And if they are doing this, why are we following them? Don't we have a Second Angels message?! It is a common fact that whenever the subject of "worship styles" would come into play, it will not be long before you find the word, "celebration" trailing it.

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Answer: Many

Question: How many "worship styles" are there out in the world? Answer: There are only TWO "worship styles" out in the world. Biblically these two "worship styles" are called "true worship," and "false worship." In the Adventist Church however, these two "worship styles" are the conventional "worship style" and the Celebration "worship style."

That's the reason why although Dr. Folkenberg witnessed many countries that were "celebrating," you and I know as well as he knows that none of them were doing this in 1960, nor in 1970, nor in 1980, nor in 1985. It was not until about 1987 when this movement surfaced. Though it was planned much earlier than 1987, it took time to staff our institutions and media with unscrupulous people who would train our children in this deception and withhold information on what they are doing worldwide against our faith. They got disappointed when God raised up independent ministries to inform us what they were doing behind the scenes. Yet in all the documentation and all the videos where we witness the denomination making resolute war with God's people, both sides only mention one distinct name for the new "worship style" which has popped up all of a sudden: Celebration. You can freely check the evidence for yourself.

Dr. Folkenberg declared to those who opposed the Celebration movement that when they get to heaven, they will be surprised when they find out that more than just Americans will be there, here implying that they are wicked for not considering the differing cultures and backgrounds of other people. In that, he was stating that the "worship style" that we currently observe or observed before the Celebration "worship style" came in, was in essence the American "worship style." These men continue to

express the false idea that this issue which has caused so much unprecedented contention in the Seventh-day Adventist Church is a cultural issue.

If men in Scotland wear dresses and play bagpipes, what would you think of someone who would come over here to the United States and demand that the men over here do the same? If it is a cultural issue, why should the culture of Scotland, the culture of Japan, the culture of Australia be forced upon God's people here in the United States? I do not see men wearing dresses here in America playing bagpipes brethren! If the people accepted such cultural traits till it was common to see men dressed like Scotsmen, it would be more understandable; but why this constant thrust for "Celebration" and this continual lying to the people by those who are supposed to be more holy than all of us: our new theology leadership? With this issue causing so much trouble consistently, why does leadership continue to divide our flock with this deception? Apparently they don't mind trouble when it comes to pushing their plans to the forefront. It was far more peaceful before they imposed these things upon us without asking us.

They have credentials ladies and gentlemen! These are very responsible individuals! Are you sure they didn't already know that it was an illegal movement why they rammed it upon us without asking us? Are you sure they didn't already know that it was anti-Adventist, and that we would naturally protest against it why they brought up this great concern against "criticism" before this movement was actually brought in so that it could be brought in? Don't you know that the Celebration movement worldwide is the precursor for Sunday Worship? Why do you suppose a global government is now barreling down upon us, and our national leaders didn't announce it to us, tell us about all its implications, nor arrange for us to vote for its existence? Are you sure they didn't already know that it was unconstitutional?

Yet since we are in this cultural mixture, tell me, does our leadership push our American "worship style" in Scotland and in Japan and in Australia? The answer is no. The Celebration Movement is also a new movement in these places! There is also opposition, independent ministries and independent churches and people protesting this horrific movement basically all over the world. There is also subverted and lying official media in these places as well. One main reason why it would be ridiculous to push the so-called "American" "worship style" upon other countries, is because it would be nothing new to them--it would be nothing new to these other countries. They worshipped the way we used to worship before our men forced these words and impressions upon us.

As Dr. Folkenberg was therefore talking, naturally he made an outright attack against those who oppose the deceptive celebration movement. He stated that those who opposed it were merely trying to put, "the judgments of God" upon it. He had nothing bad to say about those who were pushing it. Is Dr. Folkenberg therefore neutral on this issue? The answer is no. He never was. Yet he himself well knows that pastors are swarming our churches absolutely demanding that this "worship style" come into our churches. He knows ministers are thugging the congregations into accepting it using any trick in the book to get it in. The independent ministries charged the denominational leaders with pushing this "worship style," and this charge was met with immediate denials. Visual testimony and correspondence was submitted by our denominational leaders emphatically denying that the leadership of the church was pushing this "worship style." They declared that what the independent ministries were saying was nothing more than a myth. Lo and behold, all over our nation "myths" are walking into pastoral offices of our churches.

In a particular church I was attending, after the pastor was thugging this movement upon us and we protested, time and time again were people coming before

the congregation begging us to make allowances for "different worship styles." In every case it was not the laity who were in front of the congregation begging for this illegal movement: it was the leadership. Since when do "offshoots" consistently tell us the truth and the official church continually does otherwise? Why is the official church continually powerless to prove them liars? Why couldn't she even pretend and not prove them right? The answer is that we are now in the OMEGA apostasy which the Spirit of Prophecy has warned us, "would be of a most startling nature." -- Testimonies, Series B, No. 2, p. 16, written July 24, 1904

At times members, knowing what is happening in our churches would point-blankedly ask these new pastors whether or not they are trying to change their churches into "celebration" churches, and these questions would be met with resolute denials. I am a first hand witness of one pastor who has done this. In spite of these common denials, proposals to bring drama comes in, the music in our hymnbooks would be displayed on a great big screen during the divine service, music forbidden throughout the history of the denomination would be incorporated into the sacred service, and the worship of the church would look, smell, taste, feel and sound like a celebration church, but these unscrupulous pastors would deny that it is one. When you understand the dynamics however, you would be able to discover the deception. There are only two "worship styles." If a pastor comes into your church and demands that the "worship style" of the church change, and yet denies that he is trying to make your church into a celebration church, be advised that that pastor has privily and bold-facedly lied to you--a common talent of new theology pastors and church officials.

In case you don't believe me when I say that there are only two "worship styles," just ask your new theology pastor who has denied trying to make your church into a celebration church what is the name of the "worship style" he is therefore trying to bring in. He will more than likely try to divert from the subject and/or infer that a name is not important or relevant. Fact of the matter is however, the documentation we have of our leaders thrusting this horrible movement in without our consent, in complete disregard of our rights, OUR MAJORITY--since minority views are constantly peddled in our media while the old views held by the majority are just as equally suppressed and assaulted--our diversity, OUR HISTORY, OUR INSPIRATION, for the trouble it has and consistently causes, etc., reveals that they have indeed substantially labeled the new "worship style" the "Celebration worship style." If they would cause so much trouble to bring it in, they had better know what their new "worship style" is called. They will have no name for any other, though I will not be surprised if they concoct others and endeavor to isolate this information as they have shown themselves very skillful already to that produced by God's children all over the world. There is no other name under heaven given among "worship styles" other than "CELEBRATION."

So now, we receive a quarterly that jumps upon that most controversial and heated subject and again does everything possible to convince us as Seventh-day Adventist members to change our "worship style." It tries to depict David, while he was dancing in celebrating his victory over the Philistines, as worshipping, therefore trying to insinuate that his great rejoicing was a "worship style" or a form of worship. After that, an official of the church produced a book which he apparently bought from the ABC store which emphatically tells us that everything we do is worship. In this way we can indeed state that David was worshipping, and that we can, in this day and age, party like David did in the holy sanctuary on Sabbaths and be merely having holy worship with God. We were told that the book stated that work was worship; and indeed if we can state that worship is an expression of adoration and honor to God, we can link I Corinthians 10:31 which will show us that whatever we do, we are to give honor and glory to God, therefore making this a "form of worship." Since David therefore partied and "celebrated" in the open air, that was a form of worship, and we can therefore

bring it into the holy sanctuary on Sabbaths as worship. We therefore see that there are not merely different "worship styles" based upon culture, but even different "worship styles" within a particular culture based on the kind of activity someone is engaged in. A new twist has been created which was not there before. Yet if we first consider that work is another form of worship, can you imagine the implications?

Say for example that a pastor has an important engagement and cannot give the Sabbath service. He then appoints the head elder to preside over the service. Now this head elder happens to be a plumber. This elder therefore goes to the pulpit to give the message and then says, "All right. Take out your pipes and wrenches!" All the congregation takes out pipes and wrenches and everybody clamps their wrenches down on the pipes and work at twisting their pipes while praising God. Is that worship?

Is washing clothes worship? If it is, can members bring their basins, detergents and washboards to church for worship? Is that an acceptable "worship style?" Is everything we do really worship? Do we worship God when we use the restroom? If we play baseball, is that a form of worship? Can we therefore bring that "style of worship" into the sanctuary? We might break the stained glass windows. Is cooking worship? What benefit would that produce for the church having smoke and all kinds of diverse odors forcing their way outside the doors of our church just as soon as a visitor opens the door? Would they not both think and know that we are lunatics?

If work is worship, we would encounter a fundamental problem every week when we come to God's house. WORK is prohibited every Sabbath when we go to God's house, for we can't work on Sabbath's, but WORSHIP is not prohibited. We would therefore find ourselves in confusion. We worship to spiritually energize ourselves after a WORK week. If WORK was WORSHIP, we would already be energized.

Another problem would be faced if God's people find themselves in concentration camps after the Sunday laws are enforced nationally. Their persecutors will view Saturdays as a wonderful time to force their prisoners to work. What if their persecutors can convince them that work is really a form of worship and that they can gain much release from suffering if they merely engage in another form of worship? The lesson here is clear. Work is not worship. We have to lay it aside when we worship in the morning, and the evening, everyday, and on Sabbaths.

Therefore, when the lepers were healed by Jesus (Luke 17:12-19) and all of them fled in haste when one of them came back to thank Jesus, that leper didn't worship Jesus when he was running away, he didn't worship Jesus when he turned back and was running toward Jesus to thank Him. That leper began to worship Jesus when he returned and prostrated himself before Him in thanksgiving.

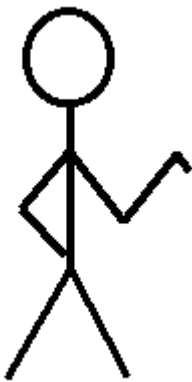
That's why in heaven, angels do not worship the Lord by whizzing all around Him with a speed that makes light look silly. They are messengers, and they whisk their way throughout the universe to do the bidding of the Lord. That is their work, but that's not worshipping Him: that is not what we bring to the sanctuary of the Lord. The only "worship style" we see in heaven is that "style" where the angels veil their faces before Him and carefully speak with much conviction the words, "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty." Worship involves a keen and focusing soberness upon the Lord. All worldly things are to be forgotten, and that's one main reason why we close our eyes to pray: to aid in shutting out other things which, if we are to accept what new theology is telling us, would also constitute worship.

What message did Jesus give the Jews when He came? Did He tell them to merely start praising the Lord and receive the Holy Spirit? The bible tells us that we are to

sing the praises of the Lord. It told the Jews that also, didn't it? Was that what Jesus pushed when He told His fellow countrymen that the end of all things is at hand? Did Jesus have a continual quarrel about the liturgy of the synagogues? Did He push the people to mix their worship services with the tactics and techniques of the popular entertainers of the day? Though He lived in a center of commerce and diversity, did He create a hype and awareness about other cultures and diversity? Did He encourage different ideas in moral and doctrinal opinions? If so, why would He dispute with the Scribes and Pharisees showing them so clearly and so often how much in error they were? Why couldn't He consider that the Jewish church merely had many "belief systems?" Did He desire to make the people to understand that they didn't have the truth just like the other religions also did not, and that they should therefore unite together under a humongous global religion?

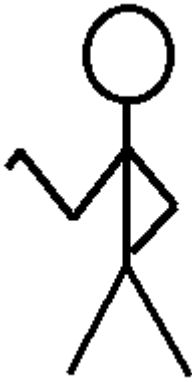
Those who have been in this church for some time would recognize the way those of new theology came into power in our church and would then understand most clearly whether or not we should walk out into darkness with these men. The evolution from a church with principles God had established to one which contradicts those former principles happened like this:

One upon a time there were loyal pastors in the SDA Church. All of those loyal pastors would more than likely be represented as this:



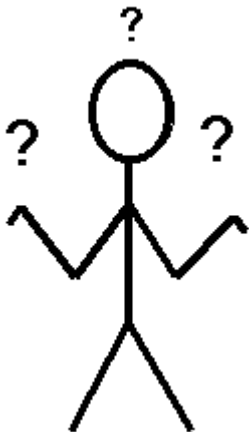
They started to teach you and to guide you. When you did something wrong, they may well have scolded you. When they spoke, you never really heard them debating about doctrine nor morals, **NOR DID THEY EVER ENCOURAGE DEBATE ABOUT THESE CRUCIAL SUBJECTS.** They never said, "I personally believe . . . [a subject or topic] is right or wrong." They plainly stated, "THIS IS THE WAY TO GO! WALK YE IN IT!" They therefore "gathered" the flock together and unified us under sound and singular principles which produced a surprisingly unified flock.

Certain ministers soon came among us who hated our mission and message. Their intents were to teach principles contrary to what the church had always taught in order to step by step convert us into a Sunday-keeping establishment. Their intents were to lead us opposite to what our loyal pastors have taught. These ministers would most appropriately and truthfully look like this:



Here the picture is turned in the opposite direction showing that they are truly in opposition to Adventism and desire it to change or turn to principles they had always prohibited. They really support positions contrary to what we have always believed, but they cannot accomplish their purpose if they display themselves in their true light and appear to the people looking like this. They therefore have to portray a false light.

Infiltrating our church through pretending to love our mission and message, they therefore started to push the idea of allowing "diversity" into our structure, to encourage all kinds of ideas into our lives stating that this would be a blessing for us as a church, not a curse. We soon heard a very sweet and concerned voice which asked us to be "considerate" of the opinions of other people and not be "dogmatic." This leader changed his position, but he didn't change in a way the flock would expect. If he had outrightly attacked our positions, he would have been given the boot and would not be able to destroy our church organization. Since his purpose was to destroy our church organization, he therefore started to take on a new look. He started to look like this:



These ministers and church officials then started to portray the idea that nothing is certain any longer in the S.D.A. Church. His object was to put us in confusion first so that he can ultimately get his object accomplished. He told us that most everything was up for debate. After first flooding the church with members, he decided to flatter the sheep, telling them that they were special and unique and should therefore follow the dictates of their own reason. He shrugged his shoulders and told us that he couldn't figure out anything on moral issues anymore lest he offends members. Soon some of the new members would do things which were always prohibited by the SDA

Church. These leaders then started to say new words to the faithful Adventists who endeavored to preserve the church by correcting such members such as, "Oh No! You can't say that ANYMORE! Another Christian brother has a different opinion! You can't be DOGMATIC you know! His Christian experience is beyond question, and the Holy Spirit gave him his contradicting views!" He told one sheep to go one way, and another sheep to go another way, and another sheep to go another way, etc. The sheep were scattered. Instead of correcting or reproving such members calling them back to the unity of the faith, this breed of leadership turned reproof back to the faithful members who tried to bring the sheep back into the singular fold of truth, then claiming unbelievably that these members were "DIVISIVE" for doing the exact same things the Seventh-day Adventist Church has always done under the circumstances.

In a snap we realized that a suffocating collection of winds of doctrine had fully arrived. We asked this leadership to defend the standard, to remember our peculiar heritage, but they then pumped all kinds of open and subtle criticisms at God's people and absolutely refused to do it. They kept saying that they could not rule upon anything, for there were so many honest and differing opinions which should be left in tension with each other. They then kept crying out for "diversity." They were saying that all ideas should have full expression in the body. They told us that this would enhance the mission of the church. Not every member knows that this was the recent history of our church (especially new members), but those who have been in the church a while know that this is true.

At that time we thought these leading men were either stupid or apostate or both. Here we had a whole converted clan of credentialed leadership who could no longer figure out what was right from wrong, while lay people--some not even finishing high school--could through the easy lessons given them from the past.

We, out of "consideration," forgetfulness and downright STUPIDITY agreed to be "considerate," to be "sweet-spirited" and allow diversity. In a flash as with this great nation called "The United States of America," most all our principles were swiftly forgotten and/or compromised, while new principles are constantly being pumped into us as a people by those who claim they value our diversity and individual opinions. Since diverse opinions abound all throughout the United States and the Seventh-day Adventist Church, look which opinions are prevailing! We are talking about a global government and surrendering the sovereignty of the United States, we are talking about forgetting the distinctiveness and peculiarity of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, we are talking about eliminating separation of church and state, we are talking about building a "community" with the fallen churches of Babylon and with Rome, and most every idea which both the United States and the Protestant churches along with the Seventh-day Adventist Church formerly condemned as dangerous, are those which are prevailing! Can't you understand that it is the people who have these dangerous ideas who plummeted us into diversity in order for their opinions to dominate?!

In order to cancel us out?

A great example would be our publications along with the rest of our institutions. We now learn from our publications that the National Sunday Law prophecies which we have learned about all our lives in the S.D.A. Church and from the Great Controversy, were already fulfilled. We are now being told that billboards in Orlando asking, "Why is the Pope trying to change our Constitution" are a lie:

"All Catholics should exert their power to cause the constitution of states to be modeled after the principles of the Catholic Church. "-- Pope Leo XIII, Papal Encyclical.

There is no crime that the dotting warrior [General Miles] charges against us to which we must plead guilty. He says that we are trying to make the United States a Catholic country. We most certainly are doing all in our power to accomplish it. -- The Catholic Register, Kansas City, April 16, 1914.

We now learn that the doctrine of the Eucharist, a Catholic doctrine which cost the lives of so many of the martyrs of Jesus, is "The ambit [or circle] of the Three Angels Messages," Adventist Review May 1991 written by Roy Adams. We now learn about the great time when Catholic officials greeted us at the 1990 General Conference Session, and that those who didn't like it were merely mean-spirited dissidents. No one needed an opinion poll to figure that one out! No one had to ask the laity in order to come to this conclusion! What happened to the hated attribute of being "dogmatic?" Does everyone agree with that statement?

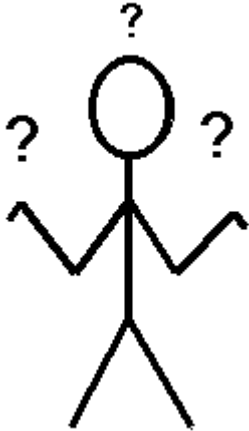
Those Adventists who therefore remember what they have believed realized that their institutions are lost--completely wrenched out of their hands through deception by people who from the beginning had anti-Adventist ideas and were determined that those ideas be communicated to our people. For many years now minority views have been dominating all our official publications. And those who didn't like the fact that these minority views were prevailing were constantly being told that they were sounding more and more like "offshoots." All throughout our churches our leadership no longer cares about offending members (the old members who always owned this church), but they are telling the new members with the new ideas of worship to go ahead and offend the old-fogy members. IF AT FIRST THESE REBEL LEADERS HAD PRESENTED THESE IDEAS, THEY WOULD NEVER BE WHERE THEY ARE NOW. THEY HAD TO PRESENT ANOTHER FACE IN ORDER TO WAIT FOR THIS DAY WHEN THEY CAN SHOW THEIR TRUE CONTEMPT FOR SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISM AND NOW ATTACK THE VERY PEOPLE WHO LET THEM IN!

Our faithful Adventists tried everything to gain their institutions back. They tried reasoning. They used inspiration, but found that those who wrenched these institutions out of their hands did not operate by that standard. They tried to get their views in the media, but they found that the official church media was also subverted. They found themselves shut out by people who love diversity--who love to show the Adventist multitudes all different options of thinking and differing viewpoints within the Seventh-day Adventist Church. They protested, and then they heard about rulings in board meetings of churches and in the church manual designed to make sure those who wanted their institutions back never got a chance even to speak in their respective churches. Then all over the world sweet-spirited, "Christ-centered," anti-critical people were demanding, voting, writing, decreeing, and faxing condemnations upon Adventists who continue to do and believe what the Remnant has always done and believed! The engines for inquisition became white hot with activity.

Yet Lo and behold again! A sweet voice comes to us which asks us to be "considerate" for people from other cultures and backgrounds who have different "worship styles!" In all of these things we as a people were tested both by God and by the agents of Satan who swarm every nook and cranny of leadership positions, and who also are to be found among the laity.

Can you afford to be "considerate" again? Can you afford to be "Christ-centered" and "sweet-spirited" again?!! Can you afford to offer "consideration" to those who have denied you such so consistently for so many years!! Do you know the half of what's going on behind your backs by the people you have trusted your souls with? Do you know what they are doing in church and state?!! You don't read and study! You don't watch! And even if you read, you confine such reading only to our official publications which are manned by people who are equally unscrupulous! They have denied you

from hearing and learning about the "other option"--what your church has always taught and believed until they came in and twisted everything out of shape! How can we be saved!! We are too stupid to be saved!! Why do they withhold the distinctive doctrines which have made us what we are! Because they must give the rest of the Bible also? Because they must also preach the gospel? Because "Christ is not in these things?!" Because we put "too much emphasis" on these doctrines? Are you going to allow yourselves to be dumb enough to let . . .



This man tell you whether or not you put too much emphasis upon anything?!!

LOOK AT HIM !!!

Are you going to allow yourselves to commit eternal suicide!! He jumped in and stopped a practice which was accepted and common within Seventh-day Adventism. We are not asking these men why they don't preach and teach us the present truth doctrines which made us what we are as a people to the world. We are asking them why they don't preach and teach us the present truth doctrines which made us what we are as a people to the world ANymore!! Does Hosea 4:6 state that God's people are destroyed for lack of Christ?!! You already threw away your institutions! Would you like your churches to follow also!! Do you know that the Vatican "Celebration worship style" movement and the worship we always had are like oil and vinegar? When Celebration takes over a church, ninety-nine times out of a hundred, no part of the old type service is found again. Celebration is a malignant movement. If these opposing "styles" cannot cohabitate, why should the Johnny-come-lately "style" force its way in and accuse those who refuse to accept it as being "offshoots": branching off from what the Remnant has always done?

For years we have proved the principles our men of Satan work by: you give them an inch, and they will take a mile and a half, and you will NEVER get back what they take! You really want to throw away your eternal life?! Do you know what inspiration tells us will happen to the leadership of the Seventh-day Adventist Church organization when Jesus comes back the second time? Do you have any idea what this new movement would do to you?!! A small clue as to what will happen in the future comparing it with what is happening today can be acquired through examining what Manuscript 15, written in 1886 says about the future of our church organization:

In the very courts of the temple scenes will be enacted that few realize. God's people will be tried and tested that He may discern between him that serveth God and him that serveth Him not. **VENGEANCE WILL BE EXECUTED AGAINST THOSE WHO SIT IN THE GATES DECIDING WHAT THE PEOPLE SHOULD HAVE.** -- Manuscript 15, 1886.

This ominous statement is referring to the very Celebration mandate our leaders will always relentlessly push until we deal with them! Whenever a celebration pastor comes into a church, he immediately jumps into politics, gets with the legislative committees of churches and organizes them into "deciding what the people should have," with the Bible right there looking him in the face. He would humiliate board members before all of heaven by causing them to figure out something which has already been figured out years ago and cause the whole committee to operate under Catholic principle.

This is just one example of the consistent condemnations given by the Spirit of Prophecy upon the denominational organization in the last days. You need to read what the Spirit of Prophecy says about your church organization. I charge you to find a statement where she prophesies that "the church" or its mission would be threatened by private self-supporting "offshoot" movements. As was already shown throughout this series of articles, all the condemnation from inspiration against those who will attack the mission and message of Seventh-day Adventism POINT INSIDE THE DENOMINATIONAL ESTABLISHMENT, NOT OUTSIDE!

The Celebration Movement is designed to construct a scenario similar to that of the destruction of Ancient Babylon. Just before Ancient Babylon fell, they had a great party, trusting in their fortifications which made them so cocky they left the gates within the city open. The masterminds who push this movement know that your nation is about to fall flat on its face. You must be made not to take this so hard, lest you foment some form of preparation or resistance to the government that will come after it.

The Celebration Movement is also designed to make sure that you don't spend time studying the special points of your faith. You must be discouraged from studying your present or testing truth doctrines such as the Sanctuary, the 2300 days, The Law of God, etc., which will provide for you a strong defense for the great struggle coming in the near future. If you go into this struggle not knowing these important doctrines, but assay to carry your knowledge about the life of Christ, words will not be able to describe your future eternal despair when you realize that Seventh-day Adventism will be officially declared non-existent. The next article entitled, "The Mission of The Church," will show you why our new theology men have suppressed and constantly prevent our people from studying the special doctrines which made us distinct as a people.

The Celebration Movement is also designed to make you feel comfortable and accepted of God while neither realizing what your sins and offenses are before heaven, nor repenting and forsaking them. The Celebration Movement is the capstone to come after the Jesuit concept of diversity, where all over the nation and world, people believe that the Bible is subject to interpretation and does not give definitive guidance for all. Any worship we perform is automatically void when we accept this Jesuit concept, for we can never worship the Lord unless we have a keen concept of the difference between right and wrong, what is holy from what is profane. Neither ignorance nor honest convictions will help us in this matter.

We do not have a problem with praising the Lord. If you however in any way believe in this "diversity" business--if you believe that the Bible allows for many different interpretations--if you believe that there is not a definite right or wrong which everyone is to GLOBALLY conform to so that you can properly detect, confess and overcome sin, YOUR WORSHIP IS AUTOMATICALLY VOID! And yet the more you praise the Lord not knowing the sharp and definite line between right and wrong so that you can confess and repent of your sin, the more you believe you are accepted of God, when you are not. THERE WILL NEVER BE TRUE REVIVAL BEFORE THIS "DIVERSITY" BUSINESS IS REBUKED AND FORSAKEN AND THE STANDARD BETWEEN HOLINESS

AND PROFANITY IS MADE CLEAR, SHARP AND WELL PROCLAIMED AGAIN! In other words, the clear and uncompromising church standards must be raised again.

Observe the only type of revival which is acceptable before the Lord:

With unspeakable desire those who had received the message watched for the coming of their Saviour. The time when they expected to meet Him was at hand. THEY APPROACHED THIS HOUR WITH A CALM SOLEMNITY. They rested in sweet communion with God, an earnest of the peace that was to be theirs in the bright hereafter. None who experienced this hope and trust can forget those precious hours of waiting. For some weeks preceding the time, worldly business was for the most part laid aside.

THE SINCERE BELIEVERS CAREFULLY EXAMINED EVERY THOUGHT AND EMOTION OF THEIR HEARTS AS IF UPON THEIR DEATHBEDS and in a few hours to close their eyes upon earthly scenes. There was no making of "ascension robes"; but all felt the need of internal evidence that they were prepared to meet the Saviour; their white robes were purity of soul--characters cleansed from sin by the atoning blood of Christ.

Would that there were still with the professed people of God the same spirit of heart searching, the same earnest, determined faith. Had they continued thus to humble themselves before the Lord and press their petitions at the mercy seat they would be in possession of a far richer experience than they now have. There is too little prayer, too little real conviction of sin, and the lack of living faith leaves many destitute of the grace so richly provided by our Redeemer. -- GC p. 373. See also 1T p. 51.

Study this revival very carefully, because nothing more or less than the attributes expressed in this quotation will be accepted. They engaged in heart-searching in order to locate and eliminate every sin from their lives. You can't do this if you believe in diversity. I am not talking about racial nor cultural diversity, but our enemies use these as a pretext for us to think differently regarding the doctrine and morals of Adventism. This is what has brought our confusion which they intentionally mislabel "diversity."

Neither the Bible nor the Ten Commandments were created for us to debate upon: they were created for instruction in order for us TO END DEBATE AND CREATE UNITY! There are now so many different estimations concerning sin, we cannot do as did those believers who experienced the blessings during the revival of 1844. This is the offense in the present desire for praise, and this is why our new theology men are desperately pushing for us to praise the Lord in order to stop us from being empowered for the coming conflict.

IT WOULD BE MORE PLEASING TO THE LORD IF LUKEWARM PROFESSORS OF RELIGION HAD NEVER NAMED HIS NAME. They are a continual weight to those who would be faithful followers of Jesus. They are a stumblingblock to unbelievers. -- 1T p. 188.

They don't want us to first repent as all true revivals have always featured. They want us to now claim revival in our confusion so that we can be mowed down by the Vatican.

The Celebration Movement is designed to arrange us in a partying atmosphere to feel comfortable in our sins and therefore in our already acquired defeat. That's why you always see celebration pastors emphasizing praise and making sure the congregation continually and physically praises the Lord while they are in "diversity" not knowing the clear demarcation of sin so that they can confess and forsake it before the Lord.

Then and only then would true revival come. If you refused the diversity, those who push the Celebration Movement would dry up and blow away.

As was said before, inspiration gives no warrant whatsoever for a change in the liturgy of the church. Neither the Bible nor the Spirit of Prophecy has any such mandate. To go beyond inspiration to establish such a change will be to abide by Catholic principle in letting our men at the helm become our Bibles. This is a major Protestant principle which many of them shed their blood to maintain and uphold. If you want to find original documentation which does mandate a change in the liturgy of the church, purchase THE DOCUMENTS OF VATICAN II.

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