



## PART C

THERE APPEARED TO be a lull in world events during the second decade of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Nations were still enjoying times of relative peace; colonization by the major European powers seemed to be going well, although stirrings of protest against colonization began to rise. The American and French Revolutions gave impetus to those stirrings of protest as people in third-world nations thought they could somehow build prosperity into their lives if they could just shake off the white man's dominance.

They failed to understand that prosperity is not automatically achieved through freedom. With freedom comes responsibility to act in a certain manner that engenders prosperity. The United States of America was uniquely suited to the attainment of prosperity because it was founded upon certain biblical principles that recognized the unalienable right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness as God-given rather than bestowed by government. Without the biblical ethic as the foundation for any nation's freedom, the people are quickly relegated to poverty and injustice, and the freedom they sought evaporates quickly. That has been the sad result of independence gained from European and American colonization over the course of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. And within Europe and America it is the sad result of these nations having moved progressively away from that biblical ethic toward the paganism from which they had been delivered by the Gospel.

It is anti-Christ's design to bring the masses under the control of the few dedicated to global dominance. To attain that, it's been necessary to foment discontent with anything associated with biblical faith. And although the European and even the American form of colonization had many ungodly elements, the Lord did use colonization to bring the Gospel to the lost within those nations that were otherwise often exploited for their natural resources.

Truth be told, without European expansionism, a far greater percentage of the world's population would still be living in dirt and eating meager, restricted diets than are doing so today.

Anti-Christ doesn't care whether a nation is materially prosperous or not. His desire is that the Gospel be rejected. But with the Gospel came the material blessings that accompany civilization. Take away the Gospel, and poverty will eventually come upon even the most civilized and prosperous nation.

The fullness of the colonized nations' revolt against their European and American masters would not be attained for decades, but the early part of the century had its share of discontent and rebellion.

1911-1920

### SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

#### Nuclear Science

In 1911, New Zealand-born British physicist Ernest Rutherford developed a model of the atom that replaced the model generally accepted among physicists. He theorized that the electrical charge of atoms is concentrated within a very small nucleus. He had previously received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1908 "for his investigations into the disintegration of the elements, and the chemistry of radioactive substances." His research into the atom resulted in his being deemed "the father of nuclear physics."

It is Rutherford's experiments in nuclear physics that would lead to his splitting of the atom in 1917, which, in turn, would lead to many benefits for mankind through further nuclear research. Anti-Christ would, however, use that same research to prompt men into experimenting with the destructive side of nuclear physics, developing the atom bomb.

## **Mass Production of Automobiles**

1913 saw the innovation of assembly-line construction of automobiles under the guidance of Henry Ford. Having already produced by hand the Model A, Model N, and Model T, Ford took ideas from watch makers, gunsmiths, bicycle makers and meat packers, and melded them into a new production line for the Model T.

The ability to mass produce the Model T made it so affordable that by 1922 half the automobiles in America were Model Ts. The rugged little car opened the door for Americans to travel great distances over rough terrain (there were few roads outside of city environs for some time). Before long, other car manufacturers followed suit with assembly-line production, and the automobile became an inexpensive mode of travel. Perhaps more than any other invention for its time, the automobile became the most influential medium for change in mores, prosperity and further technological achievements.

Anti-Christ was quick to find nefarious uses for the automobile as it was used to great extent in the transport of illicit drugs, prostitution and in the breakdown of morals among young people who found freedom from parental oversight, not to mention the carnage as millions have found death on the highways.

As with all things material, the automobile is not evil in itself; it is how men use it that makes it good or evil.

## **Warfare**

Airplanes made dramatic advances during the second decade of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Powered flight was only nine years old when airplanes began to be used for military purposes. The first military reconnaissance flight was undertaken by Italy in Libya on October 23, 1911, during the Italian-Turkish War (September 1911 – October 1912). The first bombing mission took place just over a week later on November 1, 1911.

Soon aerial warfare would determine battles during World War I. The French were the first to solve the problem of inaccurate shooting due to lack of a steady mount for guns when, in 1914, pilot Roland Garros attached a fixed machine gun to the front of his plane. But in July, 1915, German Luftstreikräfte Leutnant Kurt Wintgens, scored the first aerial combat victory with a purpose-built fighter plane that carried a synchronized machine gun capable of firing rounds between the spinning propeller blades.

The history of aviation—particularly military aviation—chronicles how anti-Christ would use this otherwise beneficial tool called the airplane for the destruction of millions of lives throughout 20<sup>th</sup> century and beyond.

Also in 1912, the first military tank was patented by Australian inventor Lancelot de Mole.

## **Motion Pictures**

In 1912 motorized movie cameras were invented, replacing hand-cranked cameras. Now men could produce mo-

tion pictures without the jerky, fast-motion characteristic of earlier cameras. And anti-Christ's use of another otherwise benign instrument could be more realistic and attractive, particularly when it came to sex and violence (with words and music, yet).

## **Methamphetamine**

On December 24, 1912, Merck and Co. Inc., filed for a patent for a styptic medication—a vasoconstrictor known as hydrastinine. Listed in the application as a chemical intermediate was 3,4-methylene-dioxy-methamphetamine (also known as "Meth," "MDMA," "ecstasy," "E," "X," or "XTC"). Meth is a psychoactive drug that has no known medical properties, and is not found in nature; it must be synthesized in a laboratory.

It has become one of anti-Christ's most effective means to destroy people psychologically, physically and physiologically.

## **Eugenics**

The study of eugenics, which was introduced in the 1890s by Sir Francis Galton, a cousin of Charles Darwin, made a considerable advance with the first International Congress of Eugenics in London in 1912. According to Galton, "Eugenics is the study of the agencies under social control that may improve or impair the racial qualities of future generations either physically or mentally."

Eugenics is a science devoted to the alteration of human genes in order to produce a "better humanity." The process involves the elimination of "dysgenic qualities," or bad traits, whether physical or mental, through scientific experimentation with the human genome.

In 1912, a "Study and Report on the Best Practical Means of Cutting Off the Defective Germplasm in the Human Population," stated:

Society must look upon the germ-plasm as belonging to society and not merely to the individual who carries it.

This sentiment went hand-in-hand with the emerging Marxist socio-political philosophy undergirded by atheism. Without God in the picture, the highest moral agency becomes the collectivist state. Children would no longer be considered extensions of their parents, but extensions of the state—property of the state to be guided and indoctrinated with humanist reasoning.

Eugenics began in England and quickly spread to the United States where experimentation on physically and mentally disabled people would result in horrific exercises in torture and euthanasia. The U.S. model for eugenics would later be adopted by Adolph Hitler in his quest to produce his "master race."

Eugenics would also form the basis for Margaret Sanger's organization, Planned Parenthood, through which she advocated the sterilization and abortion of less-than-desirable people such as Negroes whom she considered inferior be-

ings less advanced along the evolutionary path. Planned Parenthood has become the foremost proponent of abortion-on-demand for anyone who wishes to terminate a baby's life in (and lately outside) the womb. This is particularly encouraged should pre-natal tests determine that the child might be "defective."

Abortion and eugenics as a whole have been used by anti-Christ to kill millions upon millions of innocent people throughout the world in an attempt to destroy man created in God's image.

### **POLITICS**

Other than World War I, the most significant and far-reaching event in the realm of politics during this decade was the Bolshevik Revolution that destroyed the Romanov Tsarist regime in Russia. Little publicized today is the fact that the Bolshevik Revolution did not directly unseat the Tsar. Prior to the Bolsheviks, and while Russia was embroiled in World War I, Tsar Nicholas II was forced to abdicate after the first of two 1917 Russian revolutions were supported by Russian Army forces. The Tsar was replaced by a provisional government under Prince Georgy Lvov, which was an alliance of liberals and socialists desirous of political reform. Ruling alongside the democratically-elected executive and constituent assembly was the Petrograd Soviet under an arrangement called Dual Power. The Bolshevik Revolution followed in October, 1917, bringing changes in Russia's social structure and setting the stage for the creation of the Soviet Union. The barbarous Bolsheviks assassinated Nicholas and murdered his family to ensure that the Romanov line of succession would never present an opportunity for revival of the Tsarist regime.

The atheistic philosophy of Marxism would provide the philosophical underpinnings of communism. This gave anti-Christ a strong police state and military that would crush biblical faith throughout Russia. The future Union of Soviet Socialist Republics would spread throughout Eastern Europe and influence large parts of Asia including China, Korea and Vietnam.

### **WARFARE**

The true causes of World War I are virtually unknown to the masses. The cause put forth by most historians is tension over territory in the Balkans. Austria-Hungary competed with Serbia and Russia for territory and influence in the region and they pulled the rest of the Great Powers into the conflict through their various alliances and treaties. The catalyst, we are told, was the June 28, 1914, assassination of Austro-Hungary's Archduke Franz Ferdinand by 19-year-old Gavrilo Princip, a Serbian national acting on the orders of the secret Serbian society called Black Hand, which was backed by Serbian military officers. The alleged purpose was to take over the Austria-Hungarian south-Slav provinces so they could be melded into Greater Serbia (Yugoslavia). One

must question why the assassination of the Archduke of Austro-Hungary would spark a world war.

Ostensibly, it is because of certain alliances that compelled first Germany to ally with Austria, who shortly after declared war on Serbia. For obscure reasons, Germany decided to declare war against France, while Russia was making military preparations in support of Serbia. On August 1, 1914, Germany declared war against Russia. The next day, Germany and the Ottoman Empire signed a treaty, creating the Ottoman-German Empire. Two days later, Britain declared war on Germany in response to Germany's threat to Belgium if Belgium did not allow access to German troops in their campaign.

But what was the real cause of the war, and of the U.S. shift in foreign policy which has since kept us embroiled in war after war without a real threat to our national security?

To understand, we must again visit the matter of Babel, and anti-Christ's ages-old quest to unite mankind into a global mass prepared to challenge the Kingdom of God on earth when the Lord returns. For that to happen, national sovereignty must be surrendered to a global governing entity formed in response to nation vs. nation conflicts.

By the second decade of the 1900s, man's science and technology had advanced sufficiently to allow for global communications and speedy travel (relative to its time) across the globe. The stage was set for a "war to end all wars" which would condition the nations to accept a global governing body.

The first attempt was the League of Nations, formed after World War I to resolve international conflicts. Headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland, the League of Nations was the alleged brainchild of President Woodrow Wilson, an internationalist, as part of his Fourteen Points, of which Article XIV stated, "A general association of nations must be formed under specific covenants for the purpose of affording mutual guarantees of political independence and territorial integrity to great and small states alike."

Although the League of Nations was Wilson's brainchild (as far as the public were meant to know), the U.S. Congress refused to ratify the treaty, and the U.S. never became a member. Thus, the life of anti-Christ's first attempt at globalization was cut short due to the still strong isolationist influences in Congress. Although the people were manipulated to move toward involvement in the war, they were not yet ready to surrender their sovereignty to an international body politic.

We know, however, that it was not the Lord's timing for such an organization. That would be the United Nations at a later date, which would set the stage for the anti-Christ's kingdom of the future.

As for the real reason for World War I, the secret powers behind governments, controlled by an international cabal of super-capitalist industrial and banking barons given to

the satanic deception embodied in a Freemasonry corrupted by subversive members of the Illuminati, were setting the stage for the moral and spiritual destruction of Western Civilization which had been established upon the biblical ethic found in God's written Word. At the time, Britain was the unchallenged "Christian" nation on whose empire the sun never set. Britannia ruled the waves, but that could not be allowed to continue. Britain's use in the globalist plans of the Illuminati had run its course. Now Britain's supremacy had to be tempered via revolution in its colonies and the sapping of her military might through warfare in the causes of other nations. Such wars destroy both the morale and the morals of a nation, as the ensuing history of the Allies after WWI has shown.

Now it was time for the United States to rise in military supremacy for a time in order to lead it into constant conflicts that would eventually destroy its morale and morals. For that reason America's policy of isolationism must be overturned. And the best way for that to happen would be to stir nationalistic pride to the point where a warlike mentality would take over the consciousness of the people. That would take an event of such stunning and barbaric proportions that the consciousness of a large portion of the populace would be outraged—such as the killing of innocent civilians.

With the sinking of the British ocean liner RMS Lusitania by a German U-boat on May, 7, 1915, the stage was set to draw the United States into the war through propaganda that the Germans had breached the Cruiser Rules forbidding firing upon passenger ships. At the time, the fact that RMS Lusitania was carrying munitions to Britain was withheld from the public. Britain's actions were also a breach of the Cruiser Rules, but the death of 1,198 passengers, including many Americans, shifted public opinion in the U.S. from the isolationist policies instilled since its founding, to an international mindset. For the first time, the United States military would be sent to foreign lands to fight for the cause of a foreign nation.

Although the anti-Christ powers that be have allowed the U.S. to prosper and lead the nations for a season, it is clear that our time has run out. Throughout almost the entire 20<sup>th</sup> century, the U.S. has been embroiled in war after war under the lie sold to the masses that we must "defend our interests overseas." Thus far we have been spared warfare on our own soil since the Civil War, discounting the 9/11 attacks and other relatively minor terrorist plots. But we must not be deceived to think that the destiny of this nation is in the hands of its people. It is first and foremost in the hands of God; it is secondarily in the hands of the god of this world, Satan, at the behest of the true God of Heaven who is working out mankind's history to His own purposes.

In the meantime, there will be a hefty price to be paid for this nation's having turned its heart from the true God to the god of this world through the latter's many enticements away from holiness.

## **GOVERNMENT**

World War I and the League of Nations were not the only means employed by the secret powers behind government to destroy America's morals and morale. One of the best ways to accomplish this is to tax the people to the point where they see little reward for their labors. That is easily done through the imposition of an income tax.

The first attempt to impose an income tax upon Americans was undertaken when President Abraham Lincoln, with the aid of Congress, created the position of commissioner of Internal Revenue in 1862, and enacted an income tax to pay for the War of Secession (erroneously called the "Civil War"). That tax was repealed 10 years later. In 1894, Congress tried to revive the income tax, but the Supreme Court ruled it unconstitutional.

It would take a constitutional amendment to allow for an income tax, and that was accomplished in 1913 when Wyoming ratified the Sixteenth Amendment, providing the three-quarter majority of states needed to amend the Constitution. The income tax was originally meant to be temporary, and was levied at one percent on net personal incomes above \$3,000, with a six percent surtax on incomes over \$500,000. The income tax "coincidentally" was available to finance the U.S. involvement in World War I, during which the top rate rose to 77 percent. (To finance World War II, Congress imposed payroll withholding and quarterly tax payments from employers.)

Although the Sixteenth Amendment to the Constitution forbids indentured servitude of U.S. citizens, the government has conveniently applied that only to private interests. The government has, through the income tax, imposed its own form of indentured servitude.

Even so, believers in Christ are compelled to obey these laws lest we hinder our testimony and bring shame upon the name of our Lord.

While we are in this world we are subject to the authorities the Lord has placed over us. That doesn't mean we may not use all lawful means to right the wrongs, but it takes a lot of Mammon's help to accomplish anything contrary to anti-Christ's designs. Even then, unless the Lord is in it, nothing we attempt to accomplish will succeed.

Even more than the war efforts that would follow the enactment of the income tax, is the indentured servitude to private money interests under which the government would place its citizens. Again, the tax "coincidentally" provided the means to support the Federal Reserve Corporation which would, with Congress's action, remove the production of the nation's money and place it in the hands of the international banking cabal through the Federal Reserve Act.

## **ECONOMICS**

Contrary to public understanding (which neither the government nor the mass media have made even a small effort to correct), the Federal Reserve Bank of the United

States of America is not owned by the government of the United States. It is a private bank whose Class A stockholders are unknown, but who are not all (or even a majority) American citizens. All the national banks of all the nations (including Communist China, North Korea, Cuba, and even the former U.S.S.R., now Russia again) are private banks owned by the same cabal.

Space does not allow for an in-depth study of the Federal Reserve System, but briefly, the Federal Reserve Bank (FRB) is charged with issuing money and controlling the monetary policies of the nation through influence in Congress and the administration, and through control of the inflation rate of the U.S. dollar. With the creation of the Federal Reserve System, Congress set the stage for taking the nation off the gold standard and replacing the true U.S. dollar (which was redeemable in silver) with the Federal Reserve Note made to look similar to the U.S. dollar.

Here is how the Federal Reserve robs the nation and its people:

When the government wants to place money into circulation it has the FRB print “X” number of dollars. The FRB puts the dollars into circulation through its member banks in major U.S. cities. The FRB member banks lend the money to other banks and lending institutions at a certain interest rate which goes to the FRB, not to the government. But the FRB is not limited to lending the “X” number of dollars it has printed. It can legally lend ten times that amount and charge interest on that sum. No actual money changes hands. These are all credit and debit items on the books of the banks involved.

Whatever amount a bank or lending institution borrows from the FRB, it, too, can loan up to ten times that amount through credit and debit entries to the public citizens, and charge interest on that amount.

In essence, the international banking cabal is sucking the lifeblood of the nation and enslaving the people through the income tax system. Thus, the nation’s morale is being slowly ebbed away as people work harder and harder to make ends meet.

To keep up with the scale of living imposed upon the consciousness of the people through manipulation by advertising and media hype, many families have both parents working while the children are placed in government-controlled indoctrination camps called “public schools.” There they learn the anti-Christ philosophy of globalism with its attendant evils of rebellion against parental authority; sexual license; feminism anti-Americanism; atheism, to name just a few.

Most people think all these things are merely coincidental; there can’t be a conscious conspiracy going on.

Yet behind the ungodly government, media and international banking conspiracy lurks the father of lies—Satan—the ultimate anti-Christ, working through super-wealthy indi-

viduals given to Satanism. But they do not promote Satanism. They promote atheism. Anti-Christ knows he can’t outright propagandize the majority of people to worship Satan. All that is necessary anyway, is to get enough people to reject the God of the Bible—the true God Yahweh—and they will be easy prey for the Satanists to enslave in their globalist Babel civilization.

Because all these national banks have their original foundation in the international banking family of the Rothschilds and certain Jewish-affiliated money interests, it is assumed that the international banking cabal is Jewish. It is to a large degree, but not exclusively. Wealthy nationals from many nations are involved in the international banking scheme. Yet we cannot escape the truth that certain unscrupulous anti-Christ Jews were the foundation and are still the backbone of the conspiracy. These are often referred to as those “who say they are Jews, but are not,” and are of “the synagogue of Satan” (Revelation 3:9).

The problem is that many anti-Semites associate all Jews with “the synagogue of Satan,” not distinguishing between the servants of Satan and the Israelites who are blinded in part until the time of the Gentiles is completed (Romans 11:25). This lack of discernment has been the reason many Christians, beginning with the Roman Catholic Church under the first popes, have persecuted Jews throughout history.

These anti-Semites are every bit anti-Christ as those they accuse.

## RELIGION

With the Bolshevik Revolution in Russia came a determination to stamp out religion—especially Christianity—wherever communism would gain a foothold, beginning with Lenin’s persecution of the Russian Orthodox Church. It didn’t help that the Russian Orthodox Church collaborated with the White Army after the October Revolution. But it wouldn’t have mattered either way. The Soviet objective was to destroy all churches throughout Russia and the territories it conquered. The ethnic heritages of the Eastern Bloc and the Balkan States were strongly linked to their churches, and for communism to be successful it was necessary to break that link. Anti-Christ determined to wipe out Christianity first from Eastern Europe, with the hope of spreading atheism to Western Europe and the Americas. But it wasn’t in God’s plan, as we will see in ensuing installments.

### Pentecostalism

While Christianity was being persecuted and almost wiped out under the Soviet pogrom, and Higher Criticism was decimating the churches in the West, there was beginning a new force within Christianity that would rock the foundations of the established churches which had fallen prey to a formalism that lacked any expression of spiritual life. A malaise seemed to hang over Christendom even as individual Christians longed for a deeper relationship with God.

As the Azusa Street phenomenon (1906) gained attention throughout the nation via secular media, new church institutions began to spring up which focused on the Pentecostal experience. These new churches allowed for freer expression, particularly in the practice of “speaking in tongues.”

In 1913, five men convened with the purpose of combating certain aberrant doctrines and practices that accompanied Pentecostalism. Eudorus N. Bell, Howard Goss, Daniel C.O. Opperman, Archibald P. Collins, and Mack M. Pinson put out a call for a general council on Pentecostalism through Bell’s periodical, *Word and Witness*, which was publicized in other periodicals as well.<sup>1</sup> From their efforts was born the largest and most influential Pentecostal denomination, the Assemblies of God (AG), formed in 1914.

Even as the AG was in its fledgling state serious disputes arose, not only around the idea that “tongues” is the necessary evidence of the baptism in the Holy Spirit, but over the doctrine of the Trinity and restorationism, as well as other issues. *The International Dictionary of Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements* (Zondervan, 2003), states:

Before the AG had organized, another disagreement had agitated independent pentecostals. Early pentecostals had tended to regard sanctification as a second, instantaneous spiritual crisis. The leader of a Chicago mission, William Durham, had challenged that view after 1908 and had advocated, rather, “the finished work of Calvary.” Responding to the extreme teachings some contemporary Holiness advocates urged, Durham insisted that penitent sinners received both Christ’s pardon and cleansing at conversion. Their further responsibility was not to pursue crisis cleansing but to live an “overcoming” life....

Since the AG did not seek to enforce doctrinal unity, it embraced people who held various views on sanctification. Participants at the first general council heard Mack M. Pinson advocate Durham’s position. Early versions of the Statement of Fundamental Truths attempted to satisfy those with Holiness sympathies while identifying with Durham’s essential approach. As time passed, it became increasingly evident that the AG supported Durham’s understanding. The denomination’s early leaders, accused by Holiness advocates of minimizing holiness, found it necessary to assert frequently that they believed in sanctification.

A third doctrinal issue, in addition to the Trinity and sanctification, that helped mold the AG emerged in 1918 when a popular evangelist, pastor, and former executive presbyter, F.F. Bosworth, resigned from the denomination in a disagreement about evidential

tongues speech. Bosworth published his critique of the movement’s espousal of tongues as uniform initial evidence of Spirit baptism in a pamphlet entitled [sic] “Do All Speak with Tongues?” His actions prompted a thorough discussion of evidential tongues and marked the culmination in the AG of an evolution toward rigid promotion of evidential tongues without qualification, but increasingly the movement had tended to do so. It became committed to that position. The denomination was saved from a showdown by Bosworth’s magnanimous spirit. Only he and his brother resigned over the issue.<sup>2</sup>

One of the most divisive issues within Pentecostalism concerned the nature of “the Godhead,” which was known as the “New Issue.” In 1916, the AG was faced with this “New Issue” when proponents of the “Jesus’ Name” Pentecostal movement (a.k.a. “Oneness Pentecostalism”) began to exert influence. Teaching a modalistic view of God, the Jesus’ Name faction denied the doctrine of the Trinity, asserting that there is one divine Spirit who manifests Himself in many ways, three of which are as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Oneness Pentecostals split from the AG to form several other Pentecostal denominations, two of the largest being the United Pentecostal Church and the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World.

The noisy and expressive manner in which Pentecostals worshiped resulted in much criticism from the mainline churches, including from the older Holiness and fundamentalist churches that were closest to Pentecostalism in theology and practice.<sup>3</sup>

As fervent as Pentecostals were in attempting to adhere to biblical truth concerning the gifts of the Spirit, the anti-Christ spirit wormed its way into the movement to create divisions and to draw away from the genuine working of the Holy Spirit by appealing to emotions rather than God’s Word when it came to expressing themselves.

Perhaps the most obvious departure from Scripture is the manner in which “tongues” are approached in the assemblies in contrast to God’s Word:

Brethren, do not be children in understanding (however in malice you be children), but in understanding be men.

In the Law it is written, “‘With men of other languages and other lips I will speak to this people, and yet for all that will they not hear Me,’ says the Lord.”

Therefore languages are for a sign, not to those who believe, but to those who do not believe. But prophesying does not serve for those who do not believe, but for those who believe.

<sup>1</sup> *International Dictionary of Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements*, Revised and Expanded Edition, Ed. Stanley M. Burgess and Eduard M. van der Maas (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2003), p. 333.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 334.

<sup>3</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 554

Therefore, if the whole assembly has come together into one place and all speak with languages, and there come in those who are unlearned, or unbelievers, will they not say that you are mad? But if all prophesy, and there comes in one who does not believe, or an unlearned one, he is convicted by all, he is judged by all, and thus are the secrets of his heart made known. And so falling down on his face he will worship God, and report that God is truly in you.

How is it then, brethren? When you come together every one of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a language, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification.

If any speak in a language, let it be by two, or at the most by three—and that by sequence—and let one interpret. But if there is no interpreter let him keep silent in the assembly, and let him speak to himself and to God.

Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the others judge. If anything is revealed to another who sits by, let the first hold his peace. For you may all prophesy one-by-one so that all may learn, and all may be comforted. For the spirits of prophets are subject to prophets, for God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all assemblies of the saints. (1 Corinthians 14:20-33)

I urge my Pentecostal brethren to re-read these verses as many times as necessary to have it settle in their spirits. It isn't that Pentecostals are purposely defying God's Word, but they are not being taught by their denominational leaders how God's Word must be honored in all we do for Him.

When Christians wish to act contrary to God's Word they often say that we must listen to the Holy Spirit, and that is true. But the Holy Spirit does not lead us contrary to God's Word. The Holy Spirit is the author of God's Word, having inspired the human authors to write what they did.

God is not double-minded. It is a lie from anti-Christ that the Holy Spirit is our authority. God's Word is our authority, and the Holy Spirit holds us to it by convicting and convincing us to obey it.

### **Women in Ministry**

Until the early 1800s when the Society of Friends (Quakers) allowed women to take roles of leadership and teaching in their congregations, there is no historical evidence of women taking those positions in any of the established denominations. A few were ordained in the mid- to latter-19<sup>th</sup> century, primarily in some Unitarian, Presbyterian and Methodist churches. In 1909, the Church of God (Cleveland TN), a Pentecostal denomination, began ordaining women. The Assemblies of God struggled early on with the issue, and has largely held to male leadership.

Membership in the [AG] general council was limited to ministers. Numerous pentecostal women had engaged in ministries before they had embraced pentecostalism. Some had been ordained (though usually in nontraditional and highly irregular settings). Although their ordination was recognized by the AG, such women could not vote at general councils until 1920. Full ordination of women by the AG was not granted until 1935. Even then the proviso "when such acts are necessary" was appended to women's permission to administer the ordinances.<sup>4</sup>

Among denominations that might fall under the heading of "fundamental," the Pentecostal churches took the most liberal position toward ordaining women and placing them in positions of authority and teaching contrary to Scripture (1 Timothy 2:11-14; 1 Corinthians 14:34-35).

One of anti-Christ's most potent weapons against the authority of God's Word and against the order for male-female relationships according to His eternal purposes has been feminism which first reared its head in the 19<sup>th</sup> century among rebellious women who were able to manipulate weak men in the world system. That feminism began to spread within the churches almost immediately. It gained its greatest achievements within Pentecostalism which through the 20<sup>th</sup> century has seen many women not only take roles as pastors and teachers, but as apostles. Some even founded their own denominations.

I believe it is the emotionalism attendant to Pentecostalism that set the stage for feminism to make such a strong mark among its churches. When anti-Christ can get Christians to focus as much, or even more, on ecstatic experiences, Scripture becomes more subjective in areas not considered "essential," as if the whole counsel of God is not important. Pentecostalism to a large degree (though not exclusively) has retained the so-called essential truths of Scripture, but it has allowed what people have claimed to experience to mold its approach to many practices, particularly where women in ministry is concerned.

Anti-Christ has had, and is having today more than ever, a great influence through feminism that has rocked not only Pentecostalism, but virtually all of Christianity.

### **CONCLUSION**

Other influences of anti-Christ in Christianity during this second decade of the 1900s include the Jehovah's Witnesses doctrine that Jesus returned invisibly in 1914 with the beginning of WWI, an increase in the rise of snake-handling cults, and the increasing influence of New Thought in Pentecostalism through the teachings of E.W. Kenyon and John G. Lake, among others.

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<sup>4</sup> Ibid., p. 335.