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“And (Jesus) said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven!” Luke 10:18

Foxes in the Desert

One of the most successful of Satan’s deception is to use religious leaders that people look up to, and lead them into subtle heresies, making them feel that these things are beyond question. Then he uses them to lead their followers into strange paths.

In Ezekiel 13:4 God says “O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts.” Foxes are noted for their tricky ways, and when God refers to certain spiritual leaders as foxes, He intimates that there will be a class of ministers who will deceive and trick the people. Perhaps the most outstanding treachery that will lead millions of people to their destruction is the popular teaching that the Law of God has been abolished. This is the fatal mistake that will lead many to hell.

How long would the world last if we had no laws? We would have much more trouble and confusion if we did not have laws to guide us in every walk of life. In this modern age there is a theory that we should let children do just as they wish. But, we are seeing the results of that in juvenile crime today. If children are allowed to do as they please, they become very obnoxious, instead of being a blessing. There must be rules governing each family, or there will be confusion.

Suppose the government of a city should decide to discontinue every law on its statute books at midnight tonight. Honest people would want to leave town. You would not feel safe in leaving your car parked on the street, for it might be stolen. People would be breaking the windows of stores, and helping themselves to everything. There would be more murderers and thieves than there are now. Surely we would have no desire to live in a place like that.

If any government abolished its proper laws; that nation would very quickly become demoralized. How much we depend on the good laws of our nation! We would really suffer if they were abolished.

Does not the very name of ‘Christian’ indicate a certain standard of behavior? Those who are not Christians look at church members, expecting to see something better; and if they do not, then they actually are disappointed. They look at these churches and say, “Well, if they are Christians, I don’t want to be one. They go to worldly entertainment, drink alcohol, smoke, go to night clubs and dances, gamble, and do all the things that non-Christians do. Yet they claim they are Christians.” The reason given by many people for not joining the church is that those in the churches are just hypocrites.

Of course that is not true of all Christians; but churches in general are throwing out their standards, their rules, and regulations in order to meet the shifting moods and desires of the congregation. Churches lowering the bars to please this modern generation are on the way to ruin, and will soon lose all spirituality.

Do you suppose that God is governing all the starry heavens without any laws? Absolutely not! God has laws to control and guide all the solar systems. It would be impossible for the Lord to direct this vast universe without organization, rules, and laws. There are laws of nature operating in this world, that are established by God, the Creator.

It was Satan who first trampled on God’s holy law. He rebelled against this law when he was in heaven, and because of that rebellion he was cast out of heaven and came into this world. He brought that rebellion with him, and has managed to deceive great masses of the population into believing that God’s laws have been abolished. Satan says: “Do what you please, but merely SAY that you believe in Jesus and you will be saved.”

Satan has deceived the majority of people into thinking that it does not make any difference if you break the commandments, for they have been abolished anyway. Don’t pay any attention to them. It is commonly taught

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by many religious leaders, that God's commandments have been abolished and that we are no longer under obligation to obey God.

This is not true. The Bible says in Psalm 19:7: "The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul." And in Psalm 111:7, 8: ". . . all His commandments are sure, They stand fast forever and ever . . ." God's law will never change, nor be abolished, it is perfect, and will continue throughout eternity.

Satan wants to destroy God's perfect plan of salvation. The Bible tells us that God has a wall of salvation. Let us read Amos 7:7, 8: ". . . the Lord stood upon a wall made by a plumbline, with a plumbline in his hand. And the Lord said unto me, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A plumbline. Then said the Lord, Behold, I will set a plumbline in the midst of my people Israel . . ." Some people think that Israel refers only to the Jews, the word "Israel" means "who prevails with God" in other words, an overcomer.

In Galatians 6:16 Paul speaks thus of spiritual Israel: ". . . peace be . . . upon the Israel of God." Paul also says in Romans 2:28, 29: "For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly . . . But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly . . ." We must all be members of the house of Israel in our hearts. A Gentile is a heathen, according to the Bible; an Israelite is a Christian. There are many Jews who are not Israelites, but Gentiles. This is because they do not believe in Jesus. To be a true Israelite, one must experience a circumcision of the heart (conversion or being 'born again').

Galatians 3:29 says: "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." Now the followers of Christ are called Christians, and the children of Abraham are called Israelites, so this text might be paraphrased as follows: "If ye be Christians, then are ye Israelites, and heirs according to the promise." You are members of the spiritual house of Israel, my Friends; and you can be overcomers through Jesus Christ and inherit all things.

What is a plumbline? It is a piece of cord with a small weight at one end and it is used in building to make sure a wall is straight. In the vision Amos saw God standing on a wall with a plumbline in His hand. This wall is again referred to in Isaiah 60:18: ". . . thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise." Notice God says that His wall is called Salvation. God's wall is straight and true, because God has a plumbline in His hand.

Isaiah 26:1 says: ". . . We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks." The Bible often refers to God's wall, a wall for safety, a straight wall, a wall of truth, built on a firm foundation. God's wall is a bulwark against false doctrine and false teachings because its building blocks are the doctrines revealed to us in the Bible. This wall has been built by God on a foundation of truth. It is built of materials that are eternal.

God has set watchmen on the walls, to warn God's people against sin. Ezekiel 33:6 says: "But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand." It is a very serious thing for a watchman to neglect his duty and fail to warn of approaching danger.

God does not leave us in doubt as to who the watchmen are. In Ezekiel 33:7 He says: "So thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from Me." Our ministers are the watchmen on the walls who are to warn the people of their sins. Those watchmen are to stand as a safeguard to protect not only the wall, but the people who are within the wall.

God continues in Ezekiel 33:8: "When I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand." In ancient times there were always watchmen on the walls to warn the people of the approaching enemy. Ministers today are to warn us against the wiles of Satan. If the watchmen do not warn the people, God will require the blood of the sinners at their hands.

While some ministers will fail to warn the people, there are faithful servants of God who will not be afraid to speak what God tells them to say. In Ezekiel 33:9 God says: "If thou warn the wicked of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul." Not everyone who

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hears the warning will heed it, but God's watchmen have warned him, and if he fails to accept the message sent from God, he shall die in his iniquity.

It is sad but true that Satan has ministers as well. 2 Corinthians 11:14, 15 says: "And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works." Satan has ministers who perhaps appear very godly, but they can be deceivers; they unsettle people in God's Word, turning them away from the truth. Satan has many ministers in this world working for him.

So what is God's plumbline that He uses as a standard of right and wrong? It is the Ten Commandment Law. We read in Romans 3:20: ". . . By the law is the knowledge of sin." Romans 7:7 says: ". . . I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the Law had said, Thou shalt not covet." It is the Ten Commandment law that speaks of lust and coveting. God's law is the plumbline that God holds in His hand as He measures His people.

God's Wall:

God's wall has two pillars, the Old Testament and the New Testament. In the Bible we find all the truths of God; the blocks in this great wall of salvation. This is the wall that God built to protect His people from the attacks of the enemy of our souls. Its foundation of truth will stand forever and ever, and all these precious blocks are as eternal as God Himself.

The corner stone in this wall is Christ our Mediator. "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus." 1 Timothy 2:6. People look to priests and ministers to mediate for them, but there is only one Mediator, and that is Christ. No man, regardless of how good or respected he may be, can mediate for another man's sins. Only the Saviour can do this.

The second block is the Holy Spirit; Vicar of Christ, the representative of Christ on earth. In John 14:26 we read: ". . . The Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things . . ." No man can do this job; the Bible clearly states that the Holy Spirit is the Vicar, or representative of the Lord, sent to guide and teach God's people.

The third block; is the fact that the dead are asleep in their graves. John 5:28, 29, says: ". . . All that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth." When Christ Himself tells us that all the dead are in their graves, who are we to deny the infallible authority of the Son of God? Christ distinctly taught that the dead are asleep in their graves until the resurrection morning. Man is mortal; in 1 Timothy 6:15, 16 we are told that God is the only One who has immortality. Job says: "Shall mortal man be more just than God? . . ." Job 4:17.

A dangerous error found in the religious world today is the teaching that man has an immortal soul. This is the great lie that Satan told Eve in the Garden of Eden, and it is still being propagated by some of Satan's foxy preachers today. Because man is mortal and does not have an immortal soul or anything that lives on after death, we see that the idea of any eternal burning hell is false. The fact is the wicked will be burned up or consumed. In Matthew 13:41, 42 Jesus says: ". . . they shall gather . . . them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire . . ." The wicked are going to be consumed as the fat of lambs, utterly destroyed. They are going to be as if they had not been. They are going to be burned like wood, hay, stubble, or dry grass. But popular teaching today is that the wicked will burn throughout eternity; that instead of burning up like these combustible materials, will burn like asbestos.

The fourth block is prayer to God. The Bible says that we should pray directly to God our Father, in the name of Jesus. In Matthew 6:6 we read: ". . . when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret." And in John 14:14, Christ says: "If ye ask any thing in my name, I will do it." So we are to pray to the Father in the name of Jesus, and He will hear and answer.

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The fifth important block in the wall of salvation is the important truth that Christ died for sinners. 1 Corinthians 15:3 tells us: "For I delivered unto you first of all . . . how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures." How thankful we should be for the wonderful love of God manifested in the gift of His Son.

6th, in this wall of salvation is a dark block; the wages of sin is death. "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23 God never promised eternal life to the wicked. Jesus died that whosoever believeth in Him might not perish, but have eternal life. Only the righteous will live eternally. Do not forget, dear Friends, the wages of sin is death. The disobedient will die. ". . . The soul that sinneth, it shall die." Ezekiel 18:4. Satan told Eve that she would not surely die if she sinned. She believed this hoax just as many do today. However, death came to Eve just as God said it would. Death will come to all the disobedient as it did to Eve. Of this we can be certain.

7th, another block in this wall is a sublime truth; we are to worship God, for Jesus says: ". . . Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and him only shalt thou serve." Matthew 4:10. In Hebrews 4:16 we are told: "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." It is just as wrong in God's sight for us to bow before another man in a religious way, or to kiss his fingers and toes, as it would be to worship before an idol.

8th, an outstanding block in God's Wall of Salvation is Bible prophecy. 2 Peter 1:19 reads: "We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed . . ." Bible prophecy is the key to the future. The proof that Bible prophecy is reliable is found in the many predictions that have already been fulfilled to the minutest detail.

Ninth; the central block of God's Wall of Salvation is the Sabbath; God's seal or sign of sanctification. "But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work . . ." Exodus 20:10. The Sabbath has always been a great test to the human race. God expected His people to keep the Sabbath in times past, and expects us to do so today.

10th, is another great block called the Judgment. Ecclesiastes 12:14 reads: "For God shall bring every work into judgment . . ." According to the books of Daniel and the Revelation we are living in the time of God's Judgment today. In Revelation 14:7 we find the first angel's message, given in 1844: "The hour of His Judgment is come." So the Judgment is going on now in the heavenly courts; everyone must be judged as to whether his works are good or evil.

11th; A very important block in God's wall is Christ's Second Coming in glory. Jesus says in Matthew 25:31: "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, . . . then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory." Jesus also says: "For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." Matthew 24:27. Revelation 1:7 reads: "Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him." Dear Friends, do not believe Satan's foxy ministers who say His coming is in secret.

12th Block; God expects us to return unto God a 'tithe' or one-tenth of our income. In Leviticus 27:30 God says: "And all the tithe of the land . . . is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord." God says that the tithe belongs to Him; that we are not to take it; if we do we are robbing God and will be cursed with a curse. But if we return our tithes and offerings unto Him, He has promised to pour out a blessing on us that there will not be room enough to receive it.

13th; The Bible teaches another block of God's great Plan of Salvation, that the Law of God is the standard of judgment. In Ecclesiastes 12:13, 14 it says: ". . . Fear God, and keep his commandments . . . For God shall bring every work into judgment . . ." And in James. 2:12, it says: "So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty." James also tells us that if we offend in one point of the law, we are guilty of all. We are going to be judged by the commandments of God, my Friends.

14th; Baptism by immersion is another wonderful block of God's great Wall of Salvation. Jesus came up out of the water, showing that He was baptized by immersion, and we are to follow His example. Philip and the

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Eunuch went down into the water, and the eunuch was baptized. Paul tells us in Romans 6:4: “. . . we are buried with him by baptism into death: that. . . even so we also should walk in newness of life.” We could not say “we are buried” of any other form of baptism but immersion.

God’s Great Wall

All of these wonderful truths comprise the great Wall of Salvation that God has given to this world. If we abide by these things and stand behind this wall we will be safe, because this is God’s Wall of Salvation and safety. By believing and practicing these truths, we will be protected from the onslaught of the enemy, from his deceptions, and from false teachings of Satan and his foxy ministers, posing as men of righteousness. Remember the Law of God is the plumbline by which to measure any doctrine or belief.

A Counterfeit Wall

Satan knows that his time is short, and he is determined to mislead as many as possible. He works hard to knock out the true blocks, and obliterate this Wall of Salvation. Prophecy tells us that he will deceive the whole world. Satan knows that those who stand behind God’s wall of truth cannot be deceived. So he has contrived to build a counterfeit for every one of the truths in God’s wall, and has presented to the world a false, insecure wall behind which multitudes are encamped today.

Ezekiel 13:10 says: “Because, even because they have seduced my people, saying, Peace; and there was no peace; and one built a wall, and lo, others daubed it with untempered mortar.” You notice that somebody is going to build a wall; not God’s wall, but a counterfeit, and others would daub it with untempered mortar. Now, builders know if you are building a wall that is going to be permanent, you don’t want it to be daubed with untempered mortar.

In 2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4 we read about the power that has built up this counterfeit wall in opposition to God’s true Wall of Salvation. It says: “Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.”

The Roman pontiff claims that he has the power to change times and abrogate laws. Pope Nicholas says: “The pope has authority and has often exercised it to dispense with the commands of Christ . . . He can dispense above the law; and of wrong make right, by correcting and changing the laws.” *God Speaks to Modern Man*, p. 317.

This man of sin who sits on a throne in a temple has taken on himself to destroy God’s plumbline, the Ten Commandments, found in Exodus 20:3-17. The anti-Christ has tried to change those commandments, God’s standard that God uses in the Judgment.

In the law as given in Catholic catechisms the second commandment forbidding idol worship has been left out entirely; the fourth commandment has been so mutilated that it is not even recognizable; and practically all the commandments have been tampered with. The fourth commandment has been almost completely abolished, being applicable to any day in the week instead of the seventh day. The Bible prophesied that the anti-Christ would do this. Daniel 7:25 it reads: “And he shall think to change times and laws.”

The pope says: “Why, sure I changed God’s law. I can do it. I can abrogate the law of God. I can even change the precepts of Christ, and I have done it.” This is Pope Guilty. Many of the popes were called Pope Innocent, but this one happens to be Pope Guilty.

God says: “Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it.”

In the Bible we read that “one built up a wall,” that one is the Roman Church. Then, the Bible says, “others daubed it with untempered mortar by accepting the traditions, customs, and false theories built into the counterfeit wall.

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Let us see what kind of wall Pope Guilty builds. Is it a plan of salvation that is in harmony with the Word of God? First he is substituting another day for the Sabbath. Sunday is a prominent stone in this counterfeit wall.

Another stone in the counterfeit wall says: "Pope our Mediator." The Bible says that Christ is our Mediator with the Father. He is the one Advocate between God and man. Dear Friends, you do not need anybody else as mediator. Jesus alone is the only Mediator we need.

Here's another stone in the counterfeit wall; "Pope: Vicar of Christ." But I find in my Bible that the Holy Spirit is the Vicar of Christ. Christ distinctly told His disciples before leaving this world that He would send another Comforter to work with them and guide them, and this was to be the Holy Ghost. Nowhere did Christ even intimate that He would set up a man on a throne on earth to represent Him.

In this false wall we find another stone, "the Dead in Purgatory." The Council of Trent in the 16th Century decided that "There is a Purgatory, and souls there detained, are helped by the prayers of the faithful." But the Bible says that the dead are in their graves sleeping. Someone has said that purgatory is not a place, it is a business. How sad that people do not study God's Word and learn that God says the dead are sleeping. It matters not how much money is spent in behalf of the dead, or how many prayers are offered, "The dead know not anything."

Here comes another stone: Prayer to Saints. God says to pray directly to Him in the name of Jesus. But millions are praying to Mary instead of to God. Mary is dead and knows nothing, and prayers to her are in vain. God invites us to pray directly to Him in Jesus' name. Satan is very pleased when he can misdirect our prayers.

The next stone that Pope Guilty has prepared for the counterfeit wall is the mass. Catholics claim that "Every day he (Christ) offers himself on the altars, as once on Calvary." Eucharistic Meditations. They claim that the Sacrament contains the "Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ, together with His Soul and Divinity." But the Bible says that if Jesus had not died, we would all be lost. There is no mass that can take the place of the death of Jesus on the cross; and the Bible says that Jesus was to die once, not every day.

Notice the next stone going into this wall Counterfeit, no death. Cardinal Gibbons says again: "The soul . . . continues after death, as before, to think, to remember, to love." But the Bible says, "The wages of sin is death." The Bible also tells us that the dead know nothing, they do not think or remember or love. Surely this stone is out of line in this wall being built by Pope Guilty.

An important stone for this false wall is image worship. Again we quote from Cardinal Gibbons: "By the images which we kiss, and before which we uncover our heads or kneel, we adore Christ, and venerate His saints." The Bible says, "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image." The Bible says to worship God and Him only, but the Catholic Church says worship St. Peter and St. Joseph and St. Somebody-else.

Here's an interesting stone, Easter, a so-called holy day in honor of the resurrection of Christ. But the word 'Easter' came into church use from heathen sources. Easter was a pagan holiday in honor of Ashtoreth, the goddess of reproduction, a day of great licentiousness and immorality, and the church has made it a holy day. But nowhere in the Bible does it say to honor the day of Jesus' resurrection in this way.

Let us notice this next stone, Christmas, or Christ-mass. "Christmas was originally a Pagan festival. . . (Tammuz) was born at this time; Christmas was the birthday of the sun-god, Tammuz. Christ was not born in the winter because the shepherds were never on the hills with their sheep in the winter.

Now here we have Protestant Minister, Rev. Foxy. He is going to add more stones to Pope Guilty's wall. Rev. Foxy is typical of those Foxes that the Lord mentions in the Bible. They shear the sheep, but they do not feed them. They go along with traditions and commandments of men rather than the plain truth of God. They do not wish to preach the truth because it is not popular, so they preach smooth things and easy things that the people like. They are the teachers that tickle the ears of the people for gain.

The first stone that Rev. Foxy has ready to put into this wall says: "Man is Immortal."

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The pagan doctrine of the immortality of the human soul crept into the back door of the church. In our present time we find Spiritualism, a religion of continuous life. But the Bible says that man is mortal. He does die and when he dies he is very, very dead.

Another stone that Rev. Foxy is putting in the wall is called second chance. Some ministers teach: "Salvation is Universal . . . There is still a chance beyond the grave." Rev. Foxy believes that after Christ comes all sinners are going to be converted. But God plainly says, "It is appointed unto men once to die, and after this the judgment." The Bible says nothing about a second chance. Now we are living in the time of our probation. It will soon be ended, and there will be no other chance.

Another stone for the wall is ready: Bingo and Raffles instead of the systematic tithing system that God has planned for man. Then there are fairs, socials, and special suppers; many feel that funds must be raised in this way to carry on the activities of the church. If each member would pay an honest tithe, the churches would not need to resort to gambling, carnivals, and chicken suppers to raise money to pay the preacher.

Another stone is once saved, always saved. Isn't it strange that this should be believed? The Bible tells us that if a man, who has been righteous, turns from his righteousness, and commits sin, he will die in his sin. Ezeiel 18: 24. The Bible also says that it would be better for a man if he never knew the way of righteousness than to know it and then turn back and sin again. This certainly will not make a very substantial wall.

The next stone to be put in the wall by Rev. Foxy is, God's Law abolished. Spurgeon says: "By removing the law you have done away with sin. . . You may as well have done away with the Saviour." For if there is no sin, there is no need of a Saviour. How the devil deceives the people! Many believe they are going to be saved no matter what they do. If the commandments are abolished, it is all right to kill, steal, commit adultery, or anything else.

Another stone, sprinkling instead of Baptism, is ready for the counterfeit wall of salvation. Cardinal Gibbons says: "Baptism by infusion or by sprinkling is as legitimate as by immersion." And the Protestant churches have been all too willing to agree in adopting this mode of baptism. The very word 'baptize' means to immerse. Where does it say in the Bible to "Go ye into all the world and teach the gospel and sprinkle in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost?" No, dear Friends, the Bible says, "baptize."

Rev. Foxy is teaching the pagan doctrine of Eternal Torment. Just read this description of a young man in hell by J. Furniss: "His eyes are burning . . . The blood is boiling. The brain is boiling . . . God. . . is terrible to sinners in hell, but He is just!" Can you really believe that a just God would leave sinners in hell during all eternity to suffer in hell fire such as this? How could this be just? To suffer forever for the sins done in a few years of a man's life on earth would not be just no matter how wicked the person was.

Now Rev. Foxy is daubing the wall with untempered mortar. My, O, my, will this wall be able to stand? The Bible says in Ezekiel 13:11, 12: "Say unto them which daub it with untempered mortar, that it shall fall: there shall be an overflowing shower; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall; and a stormy wind shall rend it. Lo, when the wall is fallen shall it not be said unto you, Where is the daubing wherewith ye have daubed it?" What do you think of this wall of salvation that the Bible tells us one has built and another daubed with untempered mortar?

Ezekiel 13:14 warns: "So will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered mortar, and bring it down to the ground, so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered, and it shall fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof: and ye shall know that I am the Lord." Those who depend on this wall for safety will perish with the wall.

Dr. Alexander Carson, a Baptist minister, says: "The vast majority of religious rites used under the Christian name are the mere invention of men: and not a single institution of the Lord Jesus, as it is recorded in the New Testament, has been left unchanged." *Baptism*, p. 6. This is certainly admitting that a counterfeit wall has been built, and that there has been untempered mortar daubed on the wall.

In Ezekiel 13:3 and 4 we read: "Thus saith the Lord God; Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing! O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts." So God likens those who

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claim to be preaching the truth to foxes in the desert. These foxy preachers will act like they have seen God's will and are preaching it, whereas God says that they have seen nothing.

Ezekiel 13:5 "Ye have not gone up into the gaps, neither made up the hedge (wall) for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of the LORD." The margin says "breaches" instead of "gaps." Gaps and breaches have been made in the wall of God's salvation; literally whole blocks have been knocked out; and God says to these so-called ministers of righteousness: "You have not filled up these breaches."

Ezekiel 13:6 says: "They have seen vanity and lying divination, saying, The Lord saith: and the Lord hath not sent them: and they have made others to hope that they would confirm the word." God says, "I have not sent them." Still people look to them to confirm the word of God. The saddest fact of all is that they cause others to hope that they can confirm the word, whereas their teaching is error, and it cannot hope to save. It is a case of the blind leading the blind. Yet, many people prefer to follow the course of least resistance even if it is erroneous, because it is popular.

Ezekiel 13:8, 9 says: "Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Because ye have spoken vanity, and seen lies, therefore, behold, I am against you, saith the Lord God. And mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vanity, and that divine lies . . ." The prophet continues to say that these false teachers will not be among the assembly of the righteous, and their names will not be written there, neither will they be allowed to enter. This must mean that there will be no place for them in the mansions above that God is preparing for His people.

In Ezekiel 22:26 it further describes these false teachers thus: "Her priests have violated my law, and profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my Sabbath, and I am profaned among them." How true this is, the false teachers have truly hid their eyes from God's Sabbaths, and as the margin says, "offered violence to" God's law.

God says in Ezekiel 22:27 "Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, and to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain." God not only calls these false teachers foxes in the deserts but wolves ravening the prey, wolves in sheep's clothing, preaching for money, preaching for dishonest gain. They are truly wolves in disguise, and the blood of those they have deceived will be upon the hands of these watchmen who refuse to fill up the gaps, to fill up the breaches, to preach the truth of God, and fight against the corruption that has crept into the churches.

In Ezekiel 22:28, 29 we read: "And her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, . . . And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none." God is looking for somebody to stand in the gap, to fight for His truth.

Isaiah 58:12 says: "And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations: and thou shalt be called, the repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in. If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day. . . Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord." God has found repairers of the breach; those who will keep His true Sabbath day.

Dear Friends, God wants somebody to stand in the breach, fill up the gaps, fight for God's truth, and get rid of the commandments of men, the traditions of the church, and all of these corrupt pagan teachings and practices that have been put off on gullible humankind!

This false wall must and will be destroyed. Only the truth will stand the test of time. Jesus said: "In vain they do worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." Matthew 15:9. Jesus wants to help you wipe away all traces of traditions and commandments of men from your hearts. He is willing if we ask Him.

Let us pray that God will help us to be willing to stand for Him, for the truth, for the whole truth, for the Wall of Salvation, and not tradition. Let us pray that God will help us to come over to the side of the Bible and the Bible only.