

## Christianity as a Parody

A polished arrow goes through the air without any friction. It goes quickly, right to the heart. You take your article and polish it until it goes right to the heart.

We have to train our children as to the meaning of irony and satire. They have to understand the concept of *parody*. Christianity is not simply a poor representation of the truth; rather, it is a *mockery* of the truth.

Parody – a fable or ridiculous imitation; mockery of another’s work; misrepresentation.

Irony – words that express the opposite of what one really means. (Paul used irony in 2 Cor 11:5.)

Satire – use of sarcasm or ridicule to expose vice or folly.

Caricature – likeness exaggerated or distorted to appear ridiculous; mimic, copy, deride, jeer, impersonate in a joking way.

Mt 16:18 says the gates of “hell” (#86, *Hades*, the unseen spiritual realm of evil) won’t prevail against the church built upon the revelation that Yahshua is the Son of God. The Edah built upon the living revelation of the Son of God will go back to the way it was in Acts 2 and 4. The Holy Spirit is *illumination*. When the first church fell, the seed was preserved – the Holy Spirit went back to heaven because He had no place left to dwell in on the earth.

Christianity is an unconventional parody because living together as Acts 2:44-45 and Acts 4:32 describe is the very way – the only way – Jn 17:11 can be done. Mt 6:9-11, Mal 1:11, 1 Cor 1:10, and 1 Tim 2:8 all speak of an *undivided* house. Mt 12:25 – “Any kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and any city or house divided against itself cannot stand.” This describes how the lampstand was taken away from every place, as Mal 1:11, Rev 2:4 and 3:4 say.

In every place Christianity is the same – a parody of the way it is supposed to be. It is not even just a bad representation of how the Judean pattern was in the first century in every other

place (1 Ths 2:14), but it is a *joke*. If the church today is compared with the church in Acts 2 and 4, Christianity today is heterodoxy.

Heterodoxy – differing from acknowledged standard; not orthodox.

In Ex 19:5-6 the twelve-tribed priesthood was established. The Israel of Acts 2:42 and 4:34 was unconventional in comparison to the nature of the eleven tribes who rejected the priesthood in Ex 34 (Mt 21:43). “Living together in a world falling apart” is unconventional or considered “cultish.” They call good evil and evil good. This is just the same as the way that John the Baptist was considered demon possessed (Lk 7:33). But receiving John, as Lk 7:27 says, was the only way to prepare for His coming (and is the only way to prepare for His return, Mt 17:11; Mk 9:12). To do otherwise is to reject the purposes of God for us, as their rejecting John was to reject God’s purposes for themselves (Lk 7:30). God needs to be justified. His name has only been expressed in a parody, and has a bad reputation.

But living together is the only way God can be justified in the eyes of the world who have been led to believe that Christianity was the way of God (Gen 18:19; Mt 6:9). Acts 2:38-41 – Peter called them out of the ABNORMAL society. The abnormal society must be rejected. This *abnormal* society is, however, the *conventional* society for both Jews and Christians (Mt 6:31-33). Acts 2:38-45 and 4:32-35 is the truly *conventional way of YHWH*. We keep the way of YHWH. Abraham kept the way of YHWH. It is unconventional to the world and demonic or heretical to Christians, but marvelous in our eyes (1 Pet 2:7-10). *Conventional* Christianity today would be *heterodoxy* in the first century.

Christianity is a parody. A *parody* is an imitation, a feeble or ridiculous imitation. A parody is a mockery of another’s work. It could be done in a poem, song, or a humorous satire. It is a presentation through an exaggerated imitation, a mis-representation, a satire, caricature, mockery, irony, ridicule, a joke; it is to mimic, copy, deride, jeer, or impersonate in a joking way. In Christianity today, Christian theology demands that their interpretations be accepted as authoritative enactments of the Scriptural verses that made the Church what it was in the beginning. But they have only the dead letter, not living examples to imitate and follow.

The following verses are essential aspects or fruits of the Holy Spirit's work in His holy people:

1 Cor 1:2,10-13

1 Tim 2:8

Mal 1:11

Phil 2:2-4

Eph 4:2-6

Jn 17:20-23

Jn 13:34-35

It is nothing less than a parody of the true church and of God's saving power the way Christians interpret these verses of the Bible, which they hold in highest esteem, and a savior they call the Word of God. Christianity is a feeble or ridiculous imitation of the first-century Edah. They make sport with God's word. What they do not live, they must instead merely interpret – which is, as Webster says, *the act of expounding or unfolding what is not understood or not obvious, as the interpretation of dreams or prophecy*. So much *interpretation* is required to make the world understand and make themselves believe what cannot be seen or evidenced in their lives.

### **Focus on the Family**

*Yoneq had listened to a Focus on the Family radio program where they had all these famous and successful football coaches on. During the interview screaming fans could be heard in the background.*

We are molded and shaped by what we love. Why don't they know football is of the world? They talked of their successes and all the games they had won. 1 Jn 2:15 – How do they interpret that? Is football of the world? The truth that Dobson has about the family makes the error lethal (promoting football).

**Second Death for Believers**

No one can understand Rev 2:11 and 3:5. If they are consistent, it is work's salvation for believers. There is no way they can understand the first and second death in these verses, where it speaks of "he who overcomes..." These are the things we have to present to Christians. We should put a paper out on the righteous. There are so many thousands and millions of people on the earth who are going to spend eternity SOMEWHERE. We are responsible for them.