

The Laodicean Church in All its Vain Glory

by Jeremy James



What has to happen before the leaders of the church on earth open their mouths and defend God's people? How many churches have to be closed? How many countries have to be shut down? How many jobs have to be lost? How many businesses have to be destroyed? Just how much damage has to be done before they stand for God's Word and open their mouths?

We have spoken to several professing Christians in recent weeks and found only apathetic submission to the ruling powers. They show no ability to see that the government is not simply "non-Christian" or even even indifferent to Christianity, but actively hostile to it. They are unable to comprehend the magnitude and significance of certain disturbing facts. For example, never at any time since Christianity came to Ireland around 432 AD have Christians in Ireland failed to come together to worship and praise the LORD.

NEVER.

But when the WHO says *Boo!* they hide in their homes and pretend that an 'online' worship service somehow satisfies the Biblical requirement of true Christian worship. Shame on all those Christian leaders who hide behind this foolishness and fail to face the plain fact that the state has banned true Christian worship.

The doors of our churches are shut – for the first time in nearly two thousand years! Shame on all of those phony ‘Christian’ leaders for their cowardice and hypocrisy. One would imagine that all of the pastors and preachers across the nation – whether that nation is Ireland or the USA or Australia or whatever – would have immediately convened a crisis meeting (online if necessary) and discussed at length the nature of this blanket prohibition on Christian worship. And having done so, one would imagine that they would then have immediately informed their congregations of the meeting and the steps they were taking to convince the government that a blanket prohibition on Christian worship was unacceptable.

Did they do this? Remember this is the absolute minimum that one would expect in these circumstances, but they did NOTHING, not even the bare minimum. Without as much as a whimper, they locked the doors of our churches. No wonder Christ said in the Book of Revelation that he will have to knock on the door of the church during the age of Laodicea.

These are the same people who would bleat about the shameful way the church in Germany stepped back and did whatever the Nazis demanded. And yet, even *then*, the churches remained open! Today they are shut and our own pastors have shut them.



The Marxist ‘view’ of Christianity.

Caesar

Some believers are saying, ‘Oh we must render unto Caesar what is Caesar’s.’ But this is nonsense. Caesar only owns what belongs to him in law. He cannot steal what belongs to others, and he certainly cannot steal what belongs to the church, namely the right to come together and worship the LORD.

It is horrifying to think that, in the past four weeks, the Lord’s Supper has not been publicly celebrated anywhere in Ireland. The explanation we are given for this abomination is that, by coming together – those who might choose to do so – we would risk the health of the nation. We could stand 6 feet apart in an open space and still observe the letter of the law, but NO! that will not do. That’s ‘congregating’ and the government hates ‘congregating’. The fact that this prohibition would not make the slightest sense, except in a science fiction movie, is beside the point.

Some believers are saying, “All things work together for good...” This misapplication of Romans 8:28 is also being used by the weak and lazy to justify their apathy. Let’s look at the entire verse: **“And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose.”**

Note those words, **“to them that love God”**. Those who love God keep His commandments, and these include the plain injunction to come together regularly in prayer and worship, to praise the God of heaven and earth, and to celebrate the Lord’s Supper.

Others are saying, “Oh yes, things are bad, but God is still on His throne.” By this they imply that Christians are under no obligation to challenge what the government is doing to destroy Christian worship, to blaspheme God, to oppress believers, or to inflict irreparable damage on our country through their absurd Marxist policies.

Incredibly it is not even possible to celebrate baptism. The Word of God tells us that, as soon as possible after one comes to faith in Christ, we are to be baptized. This entails attendance at this special ceremony by a number of believing witnesses – which the authorities will not allow. In effect, the government has banned baptism.

The Power of Darkness

If you do not see the Satanic thrust in all that the government is doing, then we suggest you look more carefully. No public worship. No public prayer. No baptisms. No Christian marriages. No celebrating of the Lord’s Supper. No Bible study. No preaching. No street witnessing. No Christian counselling. No visiting the sick. No funerals. No sharing of the Gospel...

**“When I was daily with you in the temple,
ye stretched forth no hands against me:
but this is your hour, and
the power of darkness.”**

– Luke 22:53

But these are exceptional times, some might plead. Really? What makes them exceptional? A slightly increased risk of premature death, a risk (if it even exists) that is greatly magnified by the fear of death which grips the hearts of unbelievers. This fear in turn is stoked constantly by new reports – incessant, uncontested, on every news channel – which repeat over and over again the same subliminal message, *Be afraid, be very afraid.*

A true Christian should be able to see that his mind is being manipulated by the media and that the ‘threat’, such as it is, does not come remotely close to justifying what our Marxist governments are doing – to our church, to our people, and to our nation.

Your pastors should be explaining all of this to you. So too should your church elders. But they are not. Most haven’t a clue. They have ignored the plain truth of God’s Word for so long that they lack the necessary Scriptural foundation to understand what is happening. They are not even bothering to challenge the forces that are attacking the very fabric of the church.

The Leaven of Herod

“And he charged them, saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, and of the leaven of Herod.” (Mark 8:15). Throughout the Bible leaven refers to all that is false – such as hypocrisy, heresy, lies and deception. In Mark 8:15 Jesus warns of the lies devised by false religious teachers, but he also warns of the lies being told by our government (“Herod”). The leaven of Herod is of particular concern because governments today have so many ways to tell their lies. They also have great power and, by the use of coercion and various means of enforcement, are able to control and subjugate the people.

Our pastors and preachers should be warning of the leaven of Herod, but they are not!



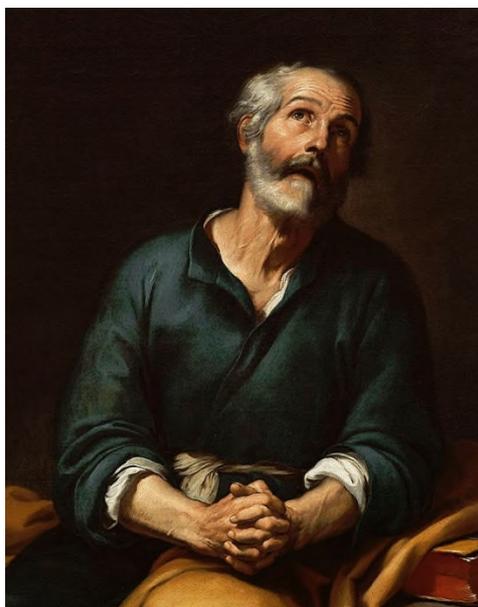
Herod the Great

At present the law of the land is telling Christians that they cannot come together and worship the LORD. This conflicts with the law of God. They are also being told that they cannot preach the Gospel and spread the good news of Christ Jesus. Should we obey? The Bible says no. Consider the arrest of the apostles and the other disciples in Acts chapter 4:

“And as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them, being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they laid hands on them [i.e. arrested them], and put them in hold [prison] unto the next day: for it was now eventide. Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand. And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes, and Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem.” (Acts 4:1-6)

The rulers of the land – the effective government under Roman jurisdiction – had ordered them NOT to preach the Gospel. If they went ahead and did so it would be illegal, an offense under the law, punishable by imprisonment. How did Peter and John answer the government? -

“But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name [the name of Christ Jesus]. And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.” (Acts 4:17-20)



The Apostle Peter by Murillo

Obedience

When God gives us a job to do, we do it! The Apostles Peter and John made this perfectly clear. The government could view their behavior however they liked (“judge ye”) but we must give the message. We too must do as the LORD has commanded – celebrate the Lord’s Supper, sings praises to the LORD on the sabbath, visit and comfort the sick, baptize new converts, pray together for God’s children and the countless lost souls who have yet to accept the Gospel, perform marriage ceremonies for believers, study God’s Word in a classroom setting, preach the Word to believers, counsel believers in need of guidance and support, bury the dead with respect, preach the Gospel to unbelievers... And we have the assurance of God’s Word that we can do all of this without endangering anyone!

This work is ESSENTIAL and should be regarded as essential by all pastors, preachers and believers. Christian leaders should defend and uphold this work and demand that governments everywhere enact no laws that ban what God permits.

Psalm 150

**Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary:
praise him in the firmament of his power.
Praise him for his mighty acts:
praise him according to his excellent greatness.
Praise him with the sound of the trumpet:
praise him with the psaltery and harp.
Praise him with the timbrel and dance:
praise him with stringed instruments and organs.
Praise him upon the loud cymbals:
praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.
Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD.
Praise ye the LORD.**

Which part of this Psalm is difficult to understand?
Where does it say we cannot come together and
worship the LORD when our government forbids it?
Have I missed that verse?

Note too the presence of musical instruments – which
are overwhelming evidence that these people are
worshipping and praising the LORD **together**.

Conspiracy

The Bible tells us that the Herodians and the Pharisees worked together to destroy Jesus (Matthew 22:16; Mark 3:6; Mark 12:13). That, dear reader is a CONSPIRACY! That conspiracy has continued to the present day, when Marxists, Freemasons, Kabbalists, and Luciferians conspire together to destroy the Bride of Christ. Christ is not on earth, so they hunt down His Bride instead.

Is any of this difficult to understand? Of course not! The Satanists will tell every lie they can to deceive the saints and lead them to destruction. It is imperative, therefore, that the saints stand firm in God's Word and do as the LORD instructed. He is our High Tower. We are inside that high tower ONLY when we are obedient to His Word and have faith in His promises.

When will the Satanists cease from their lies? Never. Their lies will only get worse – more outrageous, more blasphemous, more venomous. Unless we immerse ourselves daily in God's Word and pray for discernment, we will fall for some of these lies. We will forget that we have an Enemy and that, under his direction, his legion of votaries will never stop until they have taken over the earth.



**Logo of the World 'Health' Organization
[with additional color for emphasis]**

The Satanic world system

Jesus said: “**For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.**” (Matthew 18:20). Gathered together. In *his* name. And when we do, he is *in our midst*. What a glorious promise!

But Satanists despise it. They don't want true believers coming together, praying to Jesus, and bringing light into the world. They thrive in spiritual darkness. While they pretend otherwise, they know that Christ is the light of the world and that he has overcome Satan. So, if they are to take complete control of this earth on behalf of their demon Master, they must silence true Christianity.

WHO threat of 30 March 2020

30 March 2020



"Now we need to go and look in families, and find those people who may be sick and remove them and isolate them in a safe and dignified manner."

World Marxism threatens our families.

This is what happens when we allow the Satanic Elite to close down our churches.

Preachers and pastors who allow them to do this, sitting back and saying nothing, are betraying the body of Christ. They too have become accustomed to the darkness and flee the light that would expose their sins. They experience neither delight in the truth nor revulsion in the face of iniquity. As Jesus said, they are neither hot nor cold.

We have today a manmade church which looks remarkably like the true church. Unless we look closely, they might seem like twins. But the manmade church will gladly lock its doors when ordered to do so, without demur and without any obvious discomfort.

No public worship. No public prayer. No baptisms. No Christian marriages. No celebrating of the Lord's Supper. No Bible study. No preaching. No street witnessing. No Christian counselling. No visiting the sick. No respect for the dead. No sharing of the Gospel...

This is the Church of Laodicea, a church dominated by people whom the Lord will spew out of his mouth. Has it occurred to these individuals, or to their congregations, that they are denying Christ before men? Has this awful thought never crossed their minds?

**“Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God: But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.”
(Luke 12:8-9)**

We would strongly urge the church leadership to wake up and weigh the magnitude of what they are doing, that by their silence they are allowing the Enemy to deny the glory due to God, to oppress the saints, and to withhold the Gospel message from a world that sorely needs it.

True pastors

We find comfort in the knowledge that there are still true pastors in the field, men of God who are making a genuine effort to uphold God’s Word. While there are doubtless many more than the two we mention here, we have the facts in this instance and would like to share them.

After the lockdown began, Temple Baptist Church and the King James Bible Baptist Church, both in Greenville, Mississippi, began broadcasting services via low-power FM radio to the cars in their parking lot for about three weeks. Attendees would sit in their cars, spaced at least a car-width apart, with the windows rolled up. By any reasonable estimation they were acting in accordance with the Coronavirus guidelines. On Thursday 9th April, as they sat in their respective cars listening to a sermon by Pastor Arthur Scott, the police arrived – about ten squad cars in all, we understand – and began trolling the cars in the lot and intimidating the occupants. They issued \$500 fines to those who stayed and listened to the sermon by Pastor Scott. One officer even informed Pastor Charles Hamilton, who was a steward at the event, that his Second Amendment rights were suspended.



Notice on Temple Baptist Church Facebook page.

As Pastor Hamilton later remarked, it was illegal to hold a church service in a safe and secure manner, but perfectly legal to sell booze at a liquor store. The sale of liquor is deemed an essential service under the Coronavirus guidelines, but the worship of God is not.

These parishioners were honest, decent folk, many quite elderly, but they were treated like criminals. Several were threatened with the possibility of a jail sentence.

Police in Kentucky are using a different method to intimidate and harass Christians who attend a drive-in service. Their car license plates are recorded and sent to the local health authority which can then forcibly ‘quarantine’ the so-called offenders for 14 days.

Our heartfelt thanks to Pastors Scott and Hamilton, and to their faithful flocks, for honoring the LORD and His Son, for coming together (as best they could) and bearing witness to the truth of the Gospel. Their two churches – Temple Baptist Church and the King James Bible Baptist Church, both in Greenville – are an example to all who love God and want to honor His Holy Name.



**“I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot:
I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art
lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot,
I will spue thee out of my mouth.”
- Revelation 3:15-16**

CONCLUSION

We are not asking anyone to break the law, but we are asking all true believers to protest against a law which is obviously hostile to Christianity, a law which violates the instructions that the LORD in heaven gave to His church on earth. We would not have been directed by the Holy Spirit to do these things if it were not possible for us to do them. God is not the author of confusion. The Satanic world system has engineered a situation where it, and it alone, decides what we can and cannot do. It wants to overrule God and oppress His people. There is plenty of room, where a pandemic situation genuinely exists, to continue to observe God's holy will and keep His commandments. Alas, the church of Laodicea will not bother to seek that opening, preferring instead to submit to the edicts of those whose god is Baal, whose shrine is the obelisk in Washington DC, and whose greatest pleasure is blaspheming the Living God.

Be sure of one thing: If Christian leaders fail to contest the wickedness that is currently enslaving the visible church, the next cycle of chaos and oppression will be even worse.

**“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together,
as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another:
and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.”**

- Hebrews 10:25

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