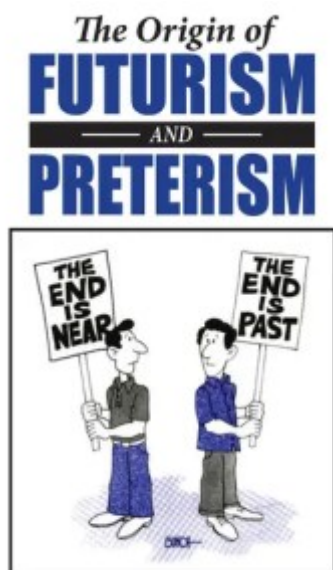


Tom Friess, The Origin of Futurism and Preterism 14



This is #14 of a series of talks by Tom Friess about the origin of Preterism and Futurism. I don't see a need to post every single one of the series because they all basically say the same thing. I already posted the first one: [The Origin of Futurism and Preterism – Book Review by Tom Friess](#). Why did I jump to #14? Because it's the first one that popped up when I searched for Tom Friess on YouTube before bed last night! My wife and I like to listen to Word based topics before bed. I was impressed with Tom's passion on this subject and therefore am inspired to make a transcription of this talk.

Transcription

Good morning, everyone. Welcome to another edition of Inquisition Update. My name's Tom Friess, and I'll be your host for the next hour.

We'll continue now our reading and discussion of this little booklet entitled The Origin of Futurism and Preterism. And Henry Grant Guinness, yesterday, was continuing his quote from other church historians. And he gives us a quote from the historian known as Tanner. And we'll read that quote and discuss it a bit before we move on.

Tanner expresses the tragedy of modern Protestantism. And you could replace the word modern with *apostate*, because they're no longer historicists. They are futurists. They believe Roman Catholic teachings. They believe the Roman Catholic school of Bible prophecy instruction. They believe the apostate Protestants, which you've heard me many times refer to them as the ecumenical evangelicals. They are the ones who have dismissed Historicism, the ancient method of Bible prophecy interpretation held by Christians all throughout the centuries. And they have embraced the Roman Catholic teaching, which literally protects the papacy from being accused of being the antichrist of

the Bible.

But always before, the papacy is, was, and always will be the antichrist. It was a settled issue. It was not a matter of discussion. And we had Scripture and history on our side. And the issue was forever settled. But the Jesuits managed to upset that through this teaching of Futurism.

So Tanner expresses the tragedy of apostate Protestantism, thus playing into the hands of Romanism. **Apostate Protestantism, that is futurist Protestantism, is literally playing into the hands of the Roman Catholic Church and the papacy.** If it is true, and I assert that it is without question, not a matter of debate, if I assert that the papacy is, was, and always will be the antichrist, and Futurism comes along and says no, the antichrist is just one single individual, not a dynasty of popes. The antichrist comes at the end of time, not ruling and reigning throughout the Christian era. Well then, I'm friendly then to the papacy, am I not? A futurist who believes that the antichrist is one single individual, possibly as Bellarmine and Ribera attested, that the antichrist would be a Jew, well then the papacy must be what it says it is. It must not be what the historicists said he was. So now you can understand Tanner's expression here.

He says, Tanner expresses the tragedy of futurist Protestantism, thus playing into the hands of Romanism. Here's what he says,

"It is a matter of deep regret that those who hold and advocate the futurist system of the present day, Protestants as they are for the most part, are thus really playing into the hands of Rome and helping to screen the papacy from detection as the antichrist. It has been well said that, 'Futurism tends to obliterate the brand put on by the Holy Spirit upon popery.'"

Listen again to his quote, "Futurism tends to obliterate the brand put by the Holy Spirit on the papacy." More especially is this to be deplored at a time when the papal antichrist seems to be making an expiring effort to regain his former hold on men's minds.

This came at a very, very unfortunate time, this teaching of Futurism. It came after the Council of Trent when the Vatican officially and at great length condemned the Protestant Reformation as a heresy. A heresy to be rooted out of the world. That came at the Council of Trent. It was a declaration of all out war against Protestantism wherever it existed.

And immediately after the Council of Trent came two Roman Catholic schools, Bible prophecy interpretation, Preterism as we've discussed, and Futurism, which places the antichrist not on the papacy, and the whole career of the papacy throughout the church age, but on just one individual coming just before Christ's return.

And since that teaching has taken root, especially in the Protestant churches, the papacy has taken advantage by exercising an expiring effort. In other words, she's killing herself day and night to regain the papacy's former hold on men's minds. The papacy realizes that it has but a short time

to act because sooner or later, Bible-believing Christians led by the Holy Spirit are going to discover the fallacy of Futurism and return to Historicism. So when they began to teach Futurism in the Protestant schools, they gave it about so long and they had to know that the Holy Spirit possessed by the true Bible-believing Christians in this world could never be deceived too long.

And so the papacy has been working day and night, morning, noon, and night, 24 hours, 365, nearly killing herself in an effort to regain what she lost at the time of the Protestant Reformation. In other words, he is working day and night to restore the old world order. When the Roman Catholic Church claimed to be the only church in which one could be saved, that the papacy was the replacement of the Son of God on earth, that he was Christ's vicar, and at any time that he opened his mouth, his words were to be regarded as the voice of God on this earth, that every man, woman, and child must be subject to the Roman pontiff for salvation, and that all the kings of the earth, no matter where they were, no matter what the circumstances, must accept the papacy's authority over them and must rule the people at the papacy's behest and must impose upon the people Roman Catholic canon law in legislation, must become the law of the land.

That was the old world order. That's how the old world order existed. The pope was king of kings and lord of lords, and when Futurism came out just after the Protestant Reformation began, that war was declared to annihilate Protestantism.

These alternative schools of Bible prophecy, Futurism and Preterism, were taught in all the schools, and now the papacy has exonerated him. I don't mean to be repetitious, but you must know that old indoctrination dies hard and the truth has to be repeated over and over and over for it to finally sink in. This is what it took me to understand these things, and I can't expect my listeners to be any more intelligent than I was. I don't put greater pressure on my listeners than I put upon myself.

So Preterism and Futurism together, even though they contradict, they both have the same effect, and that is to exonerate the whole history of the papacy throughout the entire church age and place the blame on someone else. Place the name Antichrist on someone else, either Nero of the ancient Roman Empire or a future individual that hasn't even come upon the world scene yet.

Okay, that's what apostate Protestantism believes. They're no longer historicists in their belief. The Jesuits successfully put Historicism in a deep, dark dungeon somewhere, and it's time for us to resurrect the truth! Now, don't misunderstand this author. He's plainly telling us that Protestantism today, even if it still claims the name Protestantism, is totally apostate! There isn't a Protestant church, in other words, you can't go anywhere in this country, especially where Historicism has been so well eradicated from the churches, you can't find a church in this country where you'd be welcome to teach the Historicist interpretation of Bible prophecy. There isn't a church in this country where you would be welcome to come to the front, behind the podium, and teach people the historical truth. You'd be cast out. You'd be called a divider and not a uniter, as I have been called

many, many times.

They want to get all these so-called Christians together, and what they're talking about as Christians is the Roman Catholic Church, the very synagogue of Satan, headed up by the man of sin, the little horn, the son of perdition, the antichrist of the Bible, the papacy!

The churches are a most unfriendly place for those who wish to tell the truth, and so I don't go to churches. I don't even seek fellowship in a church. Well, what's the use? I'd be better off. I'd have more opportunities to speak if I worked alone. I have years and years of experience on amateur radio. I know how I'm gonna be received in the churches, but according to how I was received on amateur radio, I was completely shouted out. They wouldn't tolerate it. That is, the people of this country, fellow amateur radio operators would not tolerate my continued historicist discussions on amateur radio. Free speech didn't rule and reign on amateur radio. There are many, many things you can talk about on amateur radio, the most disgusting, the most filthy, the most vulgar, the most outrageous, the most threatening, and you get by with it because we have free speech in this country, but if you start talking about Historicism and you start talking about the history of the Roman Catholic Church and how the Protestant churches have grown apostate through Futurism and Preterism, you don't have any rights. And if they could do it, they'd get rid of you permanently. I've expressed or I've experienced death threats, repeated death threats for these discussions on amateur radio.

And literally, Inquisition Update is the only avenue I have to discuss these things. That's how unfriendly and unpopular this subject is to the world, the Protestant USA. I am persona non grata in the Protestant churches because they don't understand the protest. I stand in the way of the great ecumenical unity of the whole Christian world. I stand opposed to it because I stand opposed to the Roman Catholic Church who established this ecumenical movement. And if the ecumenical movement is simply putting into practice the ultimatum that the Vatican issued to the Protestant churches at the time of Vatican Council II, he has much as said,

"You Protestants are no longer Protestants. You don't protest the papacy anymore. You believe that the Antichrist is a future individual or way back in the distant past in the ancient Roman Empire. And so your protest has been abandoned. Now it's time for you to come home. If you want to be regarded as churches in the proper sense, you must come back to the Roman Catholic Church and you must help me establish my authority that I had that you destroyed at the time of the Protestant Reformation. You must make reparations to the papacy. You must get control of your governments. You must practice as a Roman Catholic. Come to mass. Come to confession. And if you don't, we'll just make all your confessions right through your computer. Every keystroke that you make on your computer will be recorded. We'll know what you think. You don't come to a priest because that's, well, that's not what the Bible says. Well, we'll just gather all the information we can gather about you on the internet."

See, they forced us.

"And you must get control of your government and you must promote Roman Catholic canon law in all of your bills to make laws conforming you to Roman Catholic canon law. And then you must fight all the rest of the nations of the world wherever the Pope directs to help conquer that land for the papacy so that we can have a new world order, a global religion, a global political system, and the Pope is the head of it all."

That's what the new world order is. It's simply the old world order restored. It ought to make perfect sense to my listeners. You hear much talk about the new world order, but nobody tells you what it is. Well, because if they told you what it is, you wouldn't want to be a part of it! Maybe Roman Catholics, but even most Roman Catholics are just sick and fed up with their church and their pedophile priests and their bank scandals and their assassinated popes and all the political intrigue and all the dishonorable, deceivableness of unrighteousness. That's what it is, the deceivableness of unrighteousness. Roman Catholics are fed up with their church, but their consciences are bound by Roman Catholic canon law to stay in that church despite their hatred of it because the Roman Catholic church teaches them from cradle to grave that there's no salvation outside the Roman Catholic church. And so they keep trying to buy their salvation in the Roman Catholic church. They seek political office to implement Roman Catholic canon law, to enforce Roman Catholic canon law on the people and make us all popery!

AND THE PROTESTANTS ARE HELPING THEM!! Do you understand what I'm saying? *Protestants* are now the main thrust behind this unity and there's no other word to describe them, but *apostate*. The Bible describes a deception that would be foisted upon God's people that if possible, even the very elect would be deceived. I say it is possible and I say the people have been deceived.

That which the Bible makes us most fearful of has come to pass. This is the greatest delusion since the Garden of Eden, that Antichrist is not the papacy, but a single figment of the future? What about what was believed by all Bible-believing Christians from the first century to the last? The world believes now that God left us clueless as to who this Antichrist is or what he would do.

And that wouldn't be possible were it not for Futurism. What happened to all the certainty? **For 1800 years, God's people knew who the Antichrist was.** What happened to all that certainty? 1800 years, what happened to all the blood of the martyrs and the saints who were shed by the papacy for making the accusation that the papacy is the Antichrist? What happened to the blood of Christ from the ground and no one takes it to heart? No one remembers the martyrs or why they died.

How much more apostate can Protestantism get? How much more apostate can it get? Tanner expresses the tragedy of modern Protestantism thus playing right into the hands of Romanism. "It is a matter of deep regret," he said, "that those who hold and advocate the futurist system at the present day, Protestants, as they are for the most part, are thus really playing right into the hands of Rome and helping to screen the papacy from detection as the Antichrist." It has been well said that, "Futurism tends to obliterate the

brand put by the Holy Spirit upon popery." "More especially, this is to be deplored at a time when the papal Antichrist seems to be making an expiring effort to regain his former hold on men's minds."

Again, it should be plainly obvious to my listeners who the Antichrist really is. It's just as easy to understand as it is easy to understand who Jesus Christ is. No difference. God doesn't play fast and loose with the souls for whom His Son bled and died. And just as we know who Jesus is, God wants us to know who the Antichrist is and for 1800 years, his people did know who the Antichrist was. They were not deceived by him, they were slaughtered by him. Thus confirming who he really is. And that slaughter took place over an entire 1800 years. No one can credibly argue that the papacy is not the Antichrist.

And yet, Protestants, Evangelicals are completely apostate. They have forgotten their history. They've forgotten their heritage. They've forgotten the Bible. They forgot the example of the martyrs of Jesus. And they're lost, completely deceived unless we rescue them with Historicism.

Now, we'll continue.

"Thus, Henry Grant and Guinness and others have opened the pages of history to reveal the origins of Futurist thinking. However, Romanism did not consider the Futurist interpretation of prophecy sufficient to lay all questions and objections to rest. There had to be at least one more school of interpretation to answer those objects while simultaneously removing the papacy from the Reformers' accusing finger."

There had to be at least one more false interpretation of Bible prophecy opposed to Futurism, but which equally exonerates the papacy and turns the Protestant accusatory finger away from the papacy and towards someone else.

All right, now we're gonna talk about Preterism. And I wouldn't even bother with this subject except for the fact that this author and some others are saying that the Futurists are so, well, exasperated because their Futurist plans aren't not coming to fruition that they're looking for an alternative school of Bible prophecy, and they're choosing Preterism now as outrageous as that seems. They've gone from bad to worse. Instead of returning to Historicism, they've just turned to one of Rome's other lies. He authored both of them, Preterism and Futurism. And they deny that the papacy is the Antichrist. They will deny that the papacy is the author of both Futurism and Preterism, but historically, we've proven it. These authors have proven it. Okay, history has proven it. Common sense proves it.

And being so deluded, they simply ignore Historicism and want to go back to Preterism. It's just mind-boggling, the deception. If it were possible, they would deceive the very elect. They have been deceived, they are deceived, and they'll continue to be deceived until they return to Historicism.

The author says, "To lay further question and objections to rest, another school of interpretation of Bible prophecy was developed." So just how and when did the Preterist school of prophecy interpretation begin? Dr. Henry

Grattan Guinness, in his book, *The Approaching End of the Age*, and if I can get a copy of that book, I'll read it and discuss it right here on *Inquisition Update*. *The Approaching End of the Age* answers that thought-provoking question with this observation. The first, or the Preterist scheme, considers these prophecies fulfilled in the downfall of the Jewish nation and of the old Roman Empire, limiting their range thus to first six centuries of the Christian era and making Nero, the Emperor Nero, the Antichrist. That's what Preterism does, and that's what Futurists are doing. When they abandon Futurism, they're going back to this ridiculous lie.

Now here's the quote. He says, "The first, or the preterist scheme, considers these prophecies," that is the prophecies of Daniel, Paul, and John. That's the book of Revelation, the book of Daniel, and much of the New Testament where Paul was prophesying about this man of sin. He says, "considers these prophecies to have been fulfilled in the downfall of the Jewish nation." When was that? 70 A.D., right? "And the downfall of the old Roman Empire." When was that? No later than 600 A.D. "Limiting their reigns thus to the first six centuries of the Christian era and making Nero the Antichrist."

So that's Preterism. The book of Revelation, the book of Daniel, the prophecies of Paul, since they all talked about the Antichrist, these were all fulfilled by the fall of the Jewish nation in 70 A.D. or at the latest, the fall of the Roman Empire. And in that case, Nero was the Antichrist. You see even the uncertainty in that teaching? They can't even tell you for sure when the prophecies were completely fulfilled! They're in disagreement about when the prophecies were filled. It was either by the fall of 70 A.D., which was before the fall of the Roman Empire by about 500-600 years. And then they say, well, it might have been the fall of the Roman Empire, and in that case, Nero's the Antichrist. Do you see how shaky their ground is? It's ridiculous on its face. They can't even agree amongst themselves when these prophecies were fulfilled. But Nero was the Antichrist. It's ridiculous. Uncertainty.

God does not leave His people uncertain about who the Antichrist is. But Rome's uncertain and wants to make you uncertain too. So she foisted Preterism on the people and it was preached from the Protestant pulpits. Some, not many, some.

Futurism came afterwards and it has been gobbled up by the Protestants like chicken soup. Like the analogy I always use. Like chocolate cake with chocolate frosting on it. That's how successful Futurism is in the Protestant churches.

Now he says this scheme, Preterism, originated, guess what? Originated with the Jesuit priest Alcazar toward the end of the 16th century. Notice the timing again. Right after the Council of Trent. Immediately after the Council of Trent.

It has been held and taught under various modifications. See, they can't even agree. There's various modifications. Brodeus, Hammond, Sweatt, Eichhorn and other German commentators. Moses, Stewart, and Dr. Davidson. And it has few supporters now and need not be described more at length as this author.

Preterism didn't fool too many people because there's just too much in the Bible that makes the rise of Antichrist to be impossible during the old pagan Roman Empire. In other words, it is impossible that Nero could be the Antichrist. Why is it biblically impossible? Because Paul said, Paul who was speaking about the man of sin, the Antichrist, said that he who now letteth will let until he be taken out of the way and then that man of sin shall be revealed. Well, who was taken out of the way? The Caesars. He was predicting the fall of the Roman Empire. And Antichrist would not come until after the fall of the Roman Empire.

And that's what the Thessalonians understood. That's what everyone understood. Paul's writings got around and you've just simply got to know that the other apostles were preaching the same thing because they were possessed by the same Holy Spirit.

And God wanted people to be certain about who that Antichrist is. And since he would not come yet for 500 or 600 years, they were waiting for him to come. They were observant of the condition of the Roman throne, the Roman Caesars, and when they began to topple, then they began vigorously waiting for the rise of the man of sin. They were going to find out who it was when he stood up. And one of the very things they knew that would positively identify him was that he would uproot three kings of the old pagan Roman Empire. And when the papacy went to war against the Ostrogoths and the Vandals and the Heruli, and they were destroyed as a civilization, they knew beyond a shadow of doubt who the Antichrist was.

So why are we in doubt today? Why all this questioning? Even the preterists can't begin to agree when these prophecies were fulfilled. Untenable. There's no certainty. So they can't be believed. God's people have certainty. Those who trust the Bible have certainty. Those who trust God's Word have certainty. They don't question. They only seek to understand.

This scheme originated, this preterist scheme originated, you might have guessed, by Jesuit Alcazar toward the end of the 16th century right after the Council of Trent. It's been held and taught under various modifications by a whole bunch of people. Don't even need to name the names, although they're included here. And he says about Preterism, it has few supporters now and need not be described more at length. Now notice that Dr. Henry Grattan Guinness mentions that Preterism had few supporters in 1887. That's when Henry Grattan Guinness was alive and well and writing and preaching and giving lectures and open air speeches and condemning the new apostate Protestant teachings, Preterism and Futurism. He says, however, today it is enjoying resurgence. That's right. Preterism, as unlike as it is, is enjoying resurgence and is the view held by many of the Reformed faith, many Protestants.

Now why are the Protestants now beginning to take another look at Preterism? Because their rapture hasn't happened. Israel's been a nation since 1948. They deceptively believe Daniel's prophecy is yet future and was not fulfilled by the coming of Messiah and that that prophecy of Daniel has to be fulfilled by the Antichrist. And for Antichrist to do that, there must be a nation-state of Israel, must be Jews living in the land, must be Jewish

priests, must be a Jewish sacrifice in a Jewish temple, that there must be a seven-year covenant. Now just go back and read Daniel 9, verses 23 and 27, and see if you can find even one element of that prophecy that was not perfectly and completely fulfilled by Jesus Christ 2,000 years ago. And when you see it with your own eyes, Daniel 9, verses 23-27, when you see it with your own eyes and confirm it by the historical record of the New Testament, particularly the four Gospels, if you can find even one element of Daniel's prophecy that's not perfectly stated as fulfilled in the four Gospels, then you might have a right to believe this futurist nonsense.

But I'm here to tell you, the New Testament is the historical record of the fulfillment of every aspect of Daniel's prophecy in Daniel 9, verses 23-27. There's no question about it. Now you either find the fulfillment of Daniel's prophecy in Jesus Christ or you haven't read your Bible. Or you've let your Protestant priest read it to you and explain it to you and you've checked your brain and your Bible and your coat at the door when you came into the church and you just bobbed your head up and down while the liar was lying to you. The liar in sheep's clothing behind your pulpit. Big hair, beautiful smile, beautiful wife, beautiful music, big, beautiful church, and you just can't stand the thought of having to leave that church for all the lies and hypocrisy and apostasy that comes forth from his mouth.

Satan makes lies so attractive. He's an artist at deceiving God's people. He knows we're led by our eyes and not by our hearts and not by the Word of God. We're fallen flesh. He knows we have a weakness, so he puts beauty before us. Gold, silver, precious stones, beautiful music, beautiful pastors, beautiful pastors' wives, glamorous churches, air conditioning, sound systems, and then just lies through his teeth and unites you back to the Roman Catholic Church.

He purposely hides fact, the historical fact, that the papacy and none other than the papacy can fulfill the role of Antichrist in the world. He's keeping the most deadly secret because he thinks that there ought to be peace and unity with Antichrist simply because the Pope calls himself a Christian when the newspapers all over the world are splattered with articles and lawsuits exposing the perpetual pedophile priest scandals, the perpetual Roman Catholic Church's Vatican Bank scandals, papal assassinations, and they dare to call it Christianity and jam it in my throat? You can bet if I went to a Protestant church today, I'd be kicked out the first day because the first time that liar opened his mouth and started exonerating the papacy, I'd bring him proof, biblical, historical, and prophetic proof that he's a liar. Well, that doesn't win friends and influence.

So I don't go to the churches. I don't go to the churches. They're apostate. What could they teach me? Alright, notice that Dr. Guinness mentions that Preterism had few supporters in 1887. However, today it is enjoying resurgence and is the view held by many of the Reformed faith. Those of the preterist school of interpretation, those of the Roman Catholic preterist school of interpretation could take special note of Dr. Guinness' statements taken from page 113 of Romanism and the Reformation from the standpoint of prophecy.

"Some writers asserted that the predictions pointed back to Nero. This did

not take into account the obvious fact that the anti-Christ power predicted was to succeed the fall of the Caesars, and develop among the Gothic nations."

Now, he didn't give a quote from the Scripture, but I've given it to you many times. It's 2 Thessalonians 2, verse 7.

"He who now let it will let until he be taken out of the way, and then that man of sin shall be revealed, the son of perdition."

He was speaking about a fall of the Roman emperors, the Roman Caesars, and the power vacuum left in Europe after the fall of the Caesars, that man of sin would be revealed, the son of perdition. This is the certainty that God's people have had for the whole Christian era of who the anti-Christ is, right in God's Word. God's Word is the only one you can trust. And the historicist interpretation of God's Word is the only one you can trust because it's the only one that has been fulfilled.

What does the Bible say about false prophecies and false prophets? If a man prophesied and it not to pass, he's not a prophet. That's what the Bible says. Well, Futurism certainly can't be called a prophet because it's in the future. Preterism cannot obviously be called a prophet because it's a false prophecy, it did not come to pass. Nero was not the anti-Christ. Nero was part of the restrainer that was taken out of the way before the rise of anti-Christ.

Now listen again to what Henry Grattan Guinness says.

"Some writers asserted that the predictions, that is the prophecies, pointed back to Nero. This did not take into account the obvious fact, no, the biblical fact, that the anti-Christ power predicted in the Bible was to succeed, come after the fall of the Caesars, further that it would develop among the Gothic nations."

The Gothic nations. They didn't come to power until after the Caesars were taken out of the way. There were four kings. Three Gothic kings and one anti-Christ king. One little horn, Daniel called him, who had a mouth speaking great words of blasphemy against the Most High, thinking to change God's times and laws, and he uprooted three kings. Three horns.

Now history attests without question that the papacy fulfilled that prophecy. It came after the fall of the Caesars, after the fall of the Roman Empire, when the Roman Empire had broken up into ten kings and then upstarted a little horn and he overthrew three of those kings and then he ruled the whole world. That's the papacy.

Now you believe the prophecies in the Bible about Jesus. They perfectly describe Him. Why not believe that the papacy is the anti-Christ? Is, was, and always will be the anti-Christ. Why be certain about Jesus Christ and uncertain about who the anti-Christ is? Don't you see? You're literally disgracing and humiliating and accusing God of playing fast and loose with God's people. What man who loves his bride would put his bride at risk of

being deceived? Did God not instruct us that we should love our wives even as Christ loved the church? Now, is it an expression of Christ's love for His church, His bride, to leave them with any doubt whatsoever about who would rise in the world and seek to destroy His bride? Come on now, think with me. This is what we've been taught to believe all of our lives.

And I'm not like those who just don't simply do not question what the preacher says. They expect us to believe that the people who Christ came to die for are all of a sudden left to be devoured by the anti-Christ. Now look, if that's the truth, what kind of a God am I serving? How much faith can I place and trust in Him? See how they have destroyed your faith with that teaching? Do you see how they've diminished the glory and power and wisdom of God by leaving you with that teaching?

Many years ago, I asked my sister-in-law, do you know who the anti-Christ is? She said, "nope, we're not supposed to know." Bang! She slammed the door and walked away from me. That's right, she's a Christian. She goes to church. And she told me we are not supposed to know who the anti-Christ is. Now you have to know that she's just regurgitating the BS that she's hearing from the pulpit of her church.

Oh yes, I know. You're going to accuse me of being anti-Christian by using the expression BS, but listen, what else can I call it? BS, that's what it is. YOU CAN'T TELL ME THAT GOD PLAYS THAT FAST AND LOOSE WITH THE BLOOD OF THE PEOPLE FOR WHOM HIS SON BLED AND DIED. IT'S UNTENABLE.

It's blasphemy to say that we're not supposed to know who the anti-Christ is. It's blasphemy to say that Christ would play so fast and loose with His bride when He dared to command us to love our wives even as Christ loved the church. Why is this so difficult to understand? And how could 1,800 years of Bible-believing Christians all in agreement about who the anti-Christ is, how could they all be wrong? How could they be all wrong? How could God go to sleep at 70 A.D. or 410 or 510 A.D., whenever it was, and not wake up again until just seven years before Christ returns and then start fulfilling Daniel's prophecy in the last seven years? Do you see how ridiculously we've been deceived? I mean, look, who are you going to put the blame on? Somebody that would voice that kind of ridiculousness on us? Or us believing it?

We ought to all be on our faces in sackcloth and ashes. And if we will do that, God will restore us. But if we don't repent, we are going to remain deceived.