

## Why So Many Religious Divisions?

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It is no secret there is not a “one united” concept of Jesus, God, the Bible, church, or anything religion. There are literally thousands of religious systems and sub-systems under the banner of Christendom, all proclaiming they have the truth of God. Yet, as of this writing, after decades of research, study, and searching, this author has yet to find even one retail religious group that is not tainted with some form of man-made theology. So much confusion and yet, there has always and only ever been just one God, one Jesus, one Spirit, and one Bible.

So, what’s the problem?

### The Spirit of God

The reason for the diversity in Christendom is simple and easily explained, even obvious:

***It is their lack of God’s Spirit.***

The Spirit of God brings sight, unity of thought, knowledge, wisdom, understanding and more. In fact, the only way you can have these attributes is by having the Spirit of God. That religions lack these attributes speaks volumes.

When it comes to the Spirit that God gives to those who belong to Him, you either have it or you don’t. Without the Spirit of God, no one can understand the things of God and that includes the Bible. Without an understanding of the Bible, there is no foundation for truth. This lack of foundational truth results in the confusion and wide diversity of religions and isms, the many thoughts and ideas that we see in the world today where everyone sees something different.

**Fun Fact:** Christianity, Covenant / Reformed / Evangelical / Emergent religion is not a valid expression of biblical truth.

See the many articles on this website especially [“A Discussion on Protestant-isms”](#)

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### Disunity

It is impossible to imagine unity, truth, or guidance without the Bible and the Spirit’s leading. Yet, that is exactly what people in the Christian religions have been trying to achieve since the dawn of the corrupt Roman pagan Christian Church seventeen-hundred years ago. People have tried in vain to bring order out of chaos, leading to religions at odds with one another, and ungodly men torturing and killing their fellow man in the name of some bastardized religious imaginings and their phony god.

And for all these failings of man, people blame the one true, eternal God, and discredit the truth of the Bible because of these blind men playing church, proclaiming themselves noble and pious, carrying out their atrocities in the name of their false god under the banner of their false religion, completely void of the true God and His Spirit. These same misguided adventures continue to this day with Satan at the helm.

### Without the Spirit

If individuals are not children of God, do not have a relationship with God, do not have the Spirit of God, and cannot prevail upon the Spirit’s leading, they cannot understand the Bible. The words of

the Bible do not make sense. Trying to make sense of the Bible, people read into the text all sorts and manner of things that are not there. Then, they build entire false religions out of their misunderstandings and errors.

In their blindness, people begin to just make stuff up, chant their made-up stuff, writing hymns to exalt their made-up stuff, until the made-up stuff is dogma, then doctrine, and finally it has the force of God's law. People teach their made-up stuff to their children. Subsequent generations know nothing but the made-up stuff, and the false doctrines take up a life of their own: morphing, changing, and over time, drifting further away from the initial intent of the false doctrine.

By the time religions are through with their pet doctrine, it has no resemblance to anything in the Bible. Then, to maintain their spiritual fantasy, all the other words in the Bible must conform to their made-up doctrine leading to further error and misunderstandings and yes, more errant doctrines. Anything that contradicts their false doctrines must be explained away, redefined, or ignored. What a train wreck. And this applies to every Christian religion derivative this author has ever seen.

One such group that has led billions astray for centuries are those who practice Covenant Theology, a.k.a. Reformed Theology, a.k.a. Amillennialism, a.k.a. Replacement Theology. Dating back to the dawn of the Christian religion, Covenant religion interprets the Bible allegorically, spiritualizing Bible words into what someone thinks they might mean. As you can imagine, it is impossible to see God's message to mankind, plainly written and understood, when you redefine the word's God gave us into some ethereal, ecclesiastical mumbo-jumbo. And you wonder why there are so many off-base religions?

Thanks to Covenant religion, even though there are billions of Bibles in circulation world-wide, no one has a Bible. For as long as there has been a Bible, men have misinterpreted the words of Gods message to mankind, and wrongly taught their imaginings to others from generation to generation. This changed the plain and simple message given by God to the Apostle Paul into a confusing, frustrating mess that no one can understand. Then, these churches eliminate doctrine and preach self-help sermons and a social gospel that cannot possibly satisfy the soul or change a life for the better.

**Fun Fact:** What passes for religion today is an out-of-context understanding of God and the Bible. Satan has so succeeded in his ploy to destroy God's attempt to save mankind that today, with billions of Bibles in circulation, due to misteaching and a lack of God's Spirit, even while holding their Bibles, no one has a Bible.

**Satan, who hid the Bible for 1500 years, has hidden God's word yet again, this time in plain sight, in every church, in every home, and in every hand, rendering them totally useless by way of confusion. All the while the people, overflowing with religion of every kind, believing they have the truth, wallow in deception, lost, blind, separated from God, and damned for all eternity.**

**It's ingenious!**

## The Main Reason

If the problem is the lack of the Spirit, why is the Spirit lacking? Because God has never blessed the Christian religion. Why? From the beginning, Covenant religion has fostered a disdain toward God's people, the Jews, a belief they call Replacement Theology, and lately, anti-Zionism.

Briefly, from just after the time of the Apostle Paul, the religion that began in opposition to Paul's Body of Christ was Christianity. This was a mix of influences with a little of the four Jewish Gospels thrown in. The Christian Church was the seed that would become the Roman religion that Constantine established in 313 AD.

The church fathers despised the Jews from the first century on, calling them Christ killers, and the sentiment remains throughout the world to this day. The Christian Church believes they are the true Israel, and that God transferred all the blessings and promises given to the Jews to the Christian Church. This is patently untrue as any knowledge of the Bible would debunk this idea. But that's the point: this false religion has no knowledge of the Bible what so ever. They only believe what they choose from disconnected, out of context passages from the Bible.

**Fun Fact:** Christianity is nowhere found in the Bible. It is a man-made, made-up religion like Mormonism, Catholicism, Pentecostalism, Amishism, and other such belief systems. These are all creations of men who took words from the Bible, out of context, to concoct their false ideas, and/or traditions, superstitions, imaginations, beliefs, extra-biblical writings, and practices that have no biblical support.

God loves the Jews and they are His chosen people, so says the Bible. Many times in the Bible God says: those who bless the Jews, He will bless, and those who curse the Jews, He will curse. For 2000 years, the church fathers have held the Jews in contempt, cursing them and denying them before God. They dared to replace the Jews as they assume to take their place before God, then decided God did not give the Jews the land He promised them.

God responds to the Christian religion by withholding His blessing and His Spirit. The result is confusion: the Christian Church is blind and cannot understand the Bible. The fragmented Protestant religion exists in confusion and the Roman Church exists in confusion. The people of these religions hold their faith in confusion, many with no understanding of the Bible, the Spirit, or God. Without God's blessing, without God's Spirit, without God's Word, and without unity, the church languishes, falters, and fails, has failed, and will continue in failure.

(For the full story, see the article on this site "[Why the Christian Religion Failed](#)" PPGpilot).

**Fun Fact:** If the Apostle Paul were with us today, he would warn the Body of Christ to have nothing to do with the religion called Christian. And he would include an anathema or two.

## Anti-Zionism

Here are comments made against the Jews by the Christian Church fathers through the centuries.

**Ignatius**                      **50-117 AD**

“Those who partake of the Passover are partakers of those who killed Jesus”

**Justin Martyr**                **100-165 AD**

Claimed that God’s covenant with Israel is no longer valid

**Irenaeus**                      **130-202 AD**

Declared the Jews were disinherited from the grace of God

**Tertullian**                    **155-230 AD**

Blamed the Jews for the death of Jesus and argued they had been rejected by God

**Origen of Alexandria** **185-253 AD**

Asserted that the Jews were responsible for killing Jesus.

**Eusebius**                    **275-339 AD**

Taught the promises of Scripture were meant for the Gentiles and the curses were for the Jews

Asserted that the church was the true Israel

**Council of Elvira**            **Spain 305 AD**

Prohibited Christians from sharing a meal with a Jew, marrying a Jew, blessing a Jew, or observing the Sabbath

**Council of Nicea**            **325 AD**

Changed the celebration of the resurrection from the Jewish feast of First Fruits to Easter in an attempt to disassociate it from the Jewish feasts

**John Chrysostom**          **349-407 AD**

“The Synagogue is not only a brothel and a theater; it is also a den of robbers and a lodging place for wild beasts...”

Jews are inveterate murders possessed by the Devil. Their debauchery and drunkenness gives them the manners of a pig”

- Denied Jews could ever receive forgiveness
- Claimed it was a Christian duty to hate Jews
- Claimed that Jews worshiped Satan

**This man was canonized a Saint by the Roman Church**

**Jerome**                      **347-420 AD**

- Described the Jews as serpents wearing the image of Judas
- Their psalms and prayer are the braying of donkeys
- They are incapable of understanding Scripture

## **Augustine**                      **354-430 AD**

Asserted that Jews deserved death but were destined to wander the earth to witness the victory of the church over the synagogue.

- Canonized a Saint: That's like winning an Emmy for hating the Jews
- Created the foundation of Covenant Theology
- Father of the Roman Church
- The Father of Modern-Day Religion

## **The Middle Ages**

At the beginning of the Middle Ages, two erroneous concepts had become established as church doctrine

- The Jews should be considered "Christ Killers" and mistreated accordingly
- The Church has replaced Israel and God has no further purpose or the Jews

## **Reinforced**

1. Crusades of the 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> centuries
2. Inquisitions of the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> centuries "confess Christ or you are dead"
3. Passion Plays – fervently antisemitic
4. Position of the Church was to teach people to hate the Jews
5. Blood Libels – accused Jews of killing Gentiles and using their blood in the Passover feast

## **The Reformation and Martin Luther**

Jewish hatred intensified with the writings of Martin Luther who called the Jews

- A miserable and accursed people
- Stupid fools
- Miserable, blind, and senseless
- Thieves and robbers
- The Great vermin of humanity
- Lazy Rogues
- Blind and venomous

In 1543, Martin Luther penned a pamphlet "On the Jews and their Lies" with the following

- The synagogues and schools should be burned
- Their houses be destroyed
- Their Talmudic writings be confiscated
- Their Rabbis be forbidden to teach
- Their money be taken from them
- They be compelled into forced labor

During WWII, Hitler used Luther's pamphlet as a road map for his attempted annihilation of the Jewish race as he killed 6 million Jews in the holocaust.

At the Nuremberg War Trials, the accused said they did nothing that Luther did not write.

### ***The Church Today***

The Church today, among other things

- Supports a repackaged form of Antisemitism called Anti-Zionism.
- Anti-Zionism seeks to refuse the Jews the right to live on the land that God gave them
- Believes the Jews have no place in God's plans
- Jews are not entitled to their land
- Jews have been replaced by the Christian Church

### ***Evangelicalism, Reformed Theology, Covenant Theology***

Open letter to Evangelicals,

James  
Knox  
2002

Theological

Kennedy,  
Seminary

- A reformed theologian
- A Covenant theologian
- Open letter to Evangelicals concerning Israel
- **Endorsed by hundreds of theologians and pastors**

In his writing, Kennedy, a false teacher speaking in ignorance wrote the following.

- "The promises of the Abrahamic Covenant do not apply to any particular ethnic group, but to the Church of Jesus Christ, the true Israel."
- "The entitlement of any one religious or ethnic group to territory in the Middle East, called the Holy Land, cannot be supported by Scripture. In fact, the land promises specific to Israel in the Old Testament were fulfilled under Joshua."
- "The present secular state of Israel... is not authentic or prophetic realization of the Messianic kingdom of Jesus Christ, Furthermore, a day should not be anticipated in which Christ's kingdom will manifest Jewish distinctives, whether by its location in 'the land' or by its ceremonial institutions or practices."
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**In the Bible, God Himself refutes all the above sentiments, calling these theologians and great thinkers liars.**

## Unity

There is unity in one solid foundation: the Spirit of God. There is always a remnant of those who have a relationship with God and have His indwelling Spirit. These are the children of God: the Body of Christ, a.k.a. Christ's Church. These believers understand God and His Word. These are Biblicists: men and women, enlightened by the Spirit, who take the Bible as written, knowing and understanding what it says. You may not find these children of God in the local church. Why would you? These lost religions of today are not the Body of Christ and have nothing to offer. However, these individuals are united in the one Spirit and all agree.

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**Fun Fact:** There are many religions about God, but only one relationship with God. The relationship is not religion. It is the Spirit of God abiding in man. It is complete in and of itself. No Religion Required or desired.

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