

THE ICON and THE IDOL

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An icon is a depiction, a picture of an object of worship - an idol. The picture that the Spirit of truth has just revealed to me is so insidious that the reader must go to God's own Spirit to confirm whether it is true or false.

I am overwhelmed by the enormity of what I have just seen. I am supposed to show this to only two people, and the Spirit, in turn, will show us what to do with it - together. I am writing this in long hand, as I have just been instructed. If you are reading it on the Internet or in other typewritten form, you are among the intended [by Spirit] audience that is already beyond the original three. I see a vast sea of millions of readers - many of whom will reject the message and none will do so passively. The Spirit assures me that some will embrace this message with unspeakable joy, but none will do so passively. This message will be received or rejected with violent passion.

The icon is a man and the idol is a book. This is a reverse image - like the negative of a photograph. This takes spiritual understanding - for those that worship the idol believe that the book [the idol] paints the picture of the man, that is, the icon. The idol was not intended to be thus, but to point to the man, but not as an object of worship. The one who became the Liar, but not from the beginning, but from a beginning, has purposely distorted the images to trick and trap - to deceive and capture.

I am told now to write plainly. Those that have been blinded by the Liar will not see and not receive, but those that have remained true will see clearly without lengthy explanations.

The idol is the book, the Bible. The icon is the man, Jesus Christ, by whatever other name.

The truth is that the "Word of God" is the Creator of the universe and everything in it and became the man, Jesus Christ. The same spirit of Truth which revealed that to John [1:1-3, 14] reveals this to you. This same Creator of the universe, become-man, is the same Word of God, accurately depicted as "sharper than a two-edged sword and discerns the thoughts and desires of the inner man." Yes, I say, even I, the Counselor, the Spirit, the Comforter, say to you in plain language that HE, THE Word of God, which is no book, but the Creator Himself, judges all things [Hebrews 4:12, 13] Who then is the Liar but the one that deceives by calling the book, "The Word of God." Say this: "Those that participate in the lie and hold the book aloft are surely practicing idolatry and must repent!"

I am permitted [I don't know how else to say it after the overt instruction of the foregoing] to write the following.

THE TRICK AND THE TRAP

The "Word of God" is the Creator of the universe and everything in it - The I AM! The Bible reveals this as the absolute truth. The Liar has done an exceptional job of making some of us believe that the Bible is the "Word of God."

Is this not the blasphemy that caused Jesus to say, in frustration - "The book points to me, but instead of coming to me, you go study the book." Where did I come up with that? It's in the book! [John 5:39, 40]

Are we ready to see more proof from the book? "The Word of God is a double edged sword, quick and powerful, a discerner of the intents of the hearts of men," etc., etc. Same "Word of God," that is, The Creator of the universe and everything in it! The Liar has convinced many of us that it's the book itself. How did I come up with that? It's in the book! [Hebrews 4:12, 13].

Are we ready to see more proof? There is a rebellion against God going on today - right now. What is this rebellion? Refusing to hear the voice of Holy Spirit - God's own Spirit, for guidance for today. Where did I come up with that? It's in the book! [Hebrews 3:7, 15 and 4:7] The Liar has us believing that the book is the "voice."

Holy Spirit, how do I write this in a way that makes sense to those of us that want to hear Your truth?

"Does the Bible not reveal that, 'Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever'? [Hebrews 13:8] Does the Bible not reveal that 'I AM' is the name of God and to be used forever? [Exodus 3:14, 15] Does the Bible not reveal that Jesus said, "Before there was an Abraham, I AM?" [John 8:58]

"The Spirit of Truth says, 'the Bible points to the Word of God, whereas the Liar says the Bible is the World of God. A book did not become the man. The Creator of the universe is the Word of God that became a man. That man said to come to him, I AM he who said that. What then is left to understand? As the scripture says, today if you will hear My voice and not harden your hearts...

"You are listening and hearing, My son. I would that all of you will listen and hear. It will not impede your reading. Was it not revealed to you in the Bible that there is but one Teacher and Leader? Yes, write that reference and let those that have eyes - see. [Matthew 23:8-10]

"Finally, I say to you, do not put the cart [yes, the Bible] in front of the horse [yes the real Word of God, the Creator of the universe.]

I AM"

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