The Parliament of the World's Religions (Powr)

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And you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.

John 8:32

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Opening Ceremony

1 November 2018



7500 People

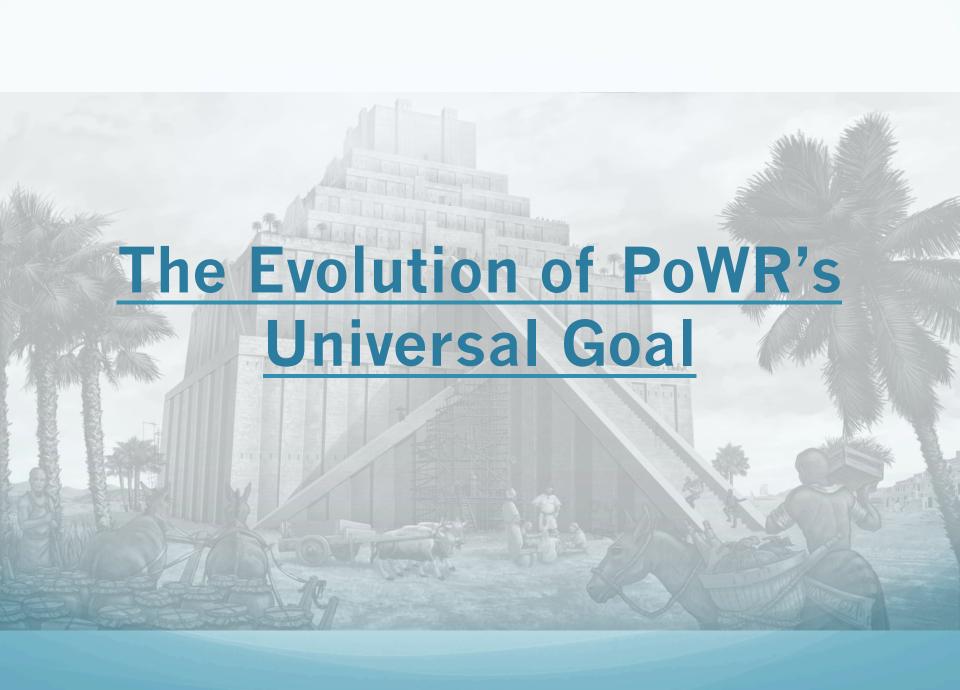
222 Different Religions

Goals

- 1. Understand the worldview being taught at the PoWR
- Understand how this worldview devalues human life.
- 3. How when Christians embrace this worldview as part of theirs (syncretism) they are giving Satan an opportunity to obfuscate the true gospel.
- How this obfuscation will lead to the Antichrist

Outline

- The Evolution of the PoWR's Universal Goal
- Problems with Global Consciousness as the Universal Goal
- How Satan Lies via the Particulars of Individual Religions and How to Identify Truth
 - An Examination of Christianity vs. Indigenous
 Spirituality, Paganism and the Philosophical Religions
- The Dangers of Syncretism



The Universal Goal of the 1893 PoWR





Possible Language from the 1891 Preliminary Address

- "To promote and deepen the spirit of human brotherhood among religious men of diverse faiths, through friendly conference and mutual good understanding, while not seeking to foster the temper of indifferentism, and not striving to achieve any formal and outward unity."
- "To indicate the impregnable foundations of Theism, and the reasons for man's faith in <u>Immortality</u>, and thus to unite and <u>strengthen the forces which are adverse to a materialistic philosophy of the universe.</u>"



The Evolution of the Universal Goal by Philosophy

- Modernism (Late 19th and Early 20th Century):
 - Individual consciousness is the universal goal.
 - All religions contradict each other so the only way to find universal truth and meaning is within your own individual mind.
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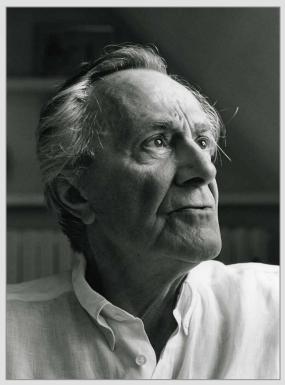
The Evolution of the PoWR's Universal Goal

• 1893 PoWR: Interfaith dialogue was for peaceful coexistence only, not necessarily for formal unity.

2018 PoWR: Interfaith dialogue is to find common truths in order to build a more formal unity around a new universal truth. This new universal truth will lead to global unity in thought and the meaning of life.

How World War II Contributed to the PoWR's Evolving Universal Goal

- In the <u>Post Modern Condition</u>, Lyotard argues that the conviction that there is only one truth, the <u>universal</u> truth, leads inevitably to "terror"
- All passionate conviction is incipiently dogmatic and will lead to the gulag.
- The problem: This argument is SELF REFUTING because Lyotard was passionate about his beliefs and yet never hurt anyone.



"The 19th and 20th centuries have given us as much terror as we can take. We have paid a high price for the nostalgia of the whole and the one [truth]."

Jean Francois Lyotard

How Francis Schaeffer Would Examine the Evolving Universal Goal of the PoWR

- Global consciousness has replaced a relationship with God as the ultimate <u>universal</u> goal.
- PoWR places more importance on respecting and embracing the <u>particulars</u> (variations) of each individual religion rather than on pursuing a real <u>universal</u> truth.
- By replacing a relationship with God with the <u>particulars</u> of all religions, a natural dichotomy is created between those who believe that a relationship with God should be the <u>universal</u> goal and those who believe global consciousness should be the <u>universal</u> goal.

There is never true diversity in interfaith dialogue when a whole group of people are excluded from the conversation.

The Trinity:

The only true example of unity through diversity.

- One what. UNITY
 - One <u>Universal and Communal</u> Goal: The Salvation of Man
- Three whos. DIVERSITY
 - Each person of the Trinity has an <u>individual</u> role to play.
 - Each person of the Trinity has <u>individual</u> characteristics.
 - Reciprocal love exists amongst the persons of the Trinity.
- We are created in the image of God so the Trinity is the model for human social life!
- We can't have peace without the Prince of Peace! But this peace will never be achieved on Earth, because this is Satan's Kingdom. Social justice is futile.

A Comparison of the Universal Goals

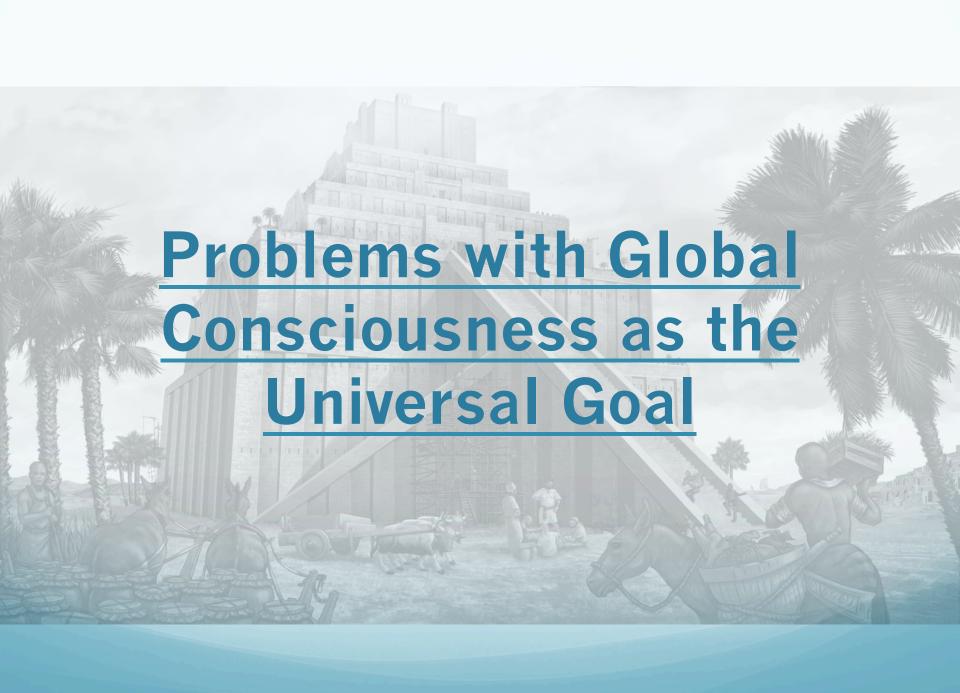
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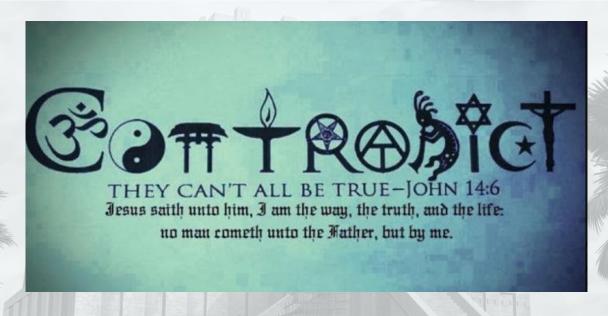
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Christianity:

- Understanding God's one true nature is the universal goal.
 - The God of the Bible promotes both individual and global consciousness. Being made in the image of God allows us to be this way too, but only through a personal relationship with God. Faith can be rational, empirical, and experiential.



Logical Problems with Global Consciousness as the Universal Goal



- Global consciousness is dependent upon religious pluralism.
- Religious pluralism is not logical. Truth by definition is exclusive.
- If all is truth, there is no way to determine truth from fantasy.
 This is called "religious dissonance".

Religious Pluralism has Become What it Hates

- Religious pluralism began with the noble goal of unmasking religious imperialism and the implicit imperialism of modernist worldviews such as atheism.
- But ironically, it has itself become imperialist, insisting that only religious pluralists deserve to have a seat at the table. Anyone who believes in the exclusivity of their religion need not participate.
- Unity outside God can only be achieved through force.
 - Forced freedom from religion.
 - Forced freedom from the law of non contradiction.

Forced Unity



"Christ" states that those who see themselves as "separate" and not "divine" hinder humanity's ability to spiritually evolve. Those who deny their own "divinity" are like "cancer cells" in the body of God.

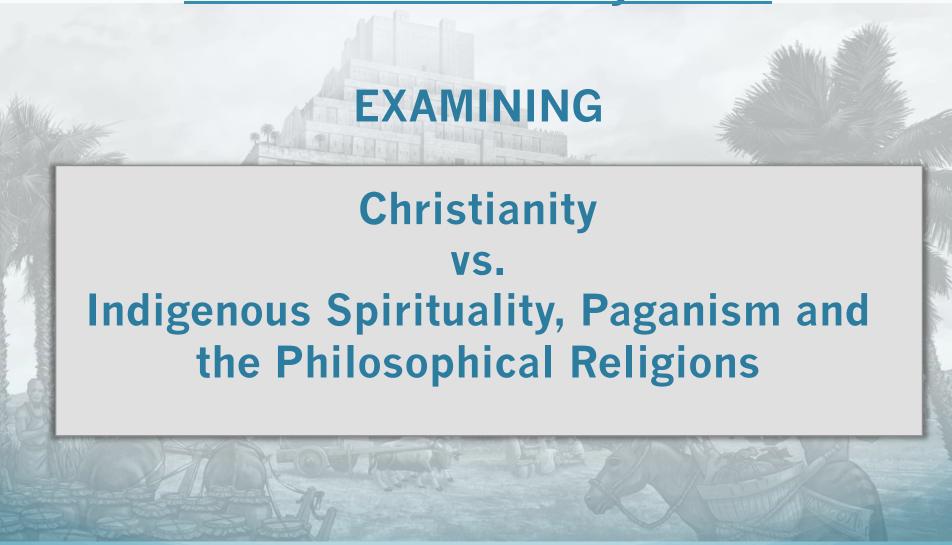
— Barbara Marx Hubbard —

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Barbara Marx Hubbard threatens Christians?

Hubbard is an author, speaker, and co-founder and president of the Foundation for Conscious Evolution. And was Vice Presidential nominee in 1984.

How Satan Lies Via the Particulars and How to Identify Truth



Where All the Other Religions Came From Genesis 10 – The Tower Babel



Babel's Religions Binary Male/Female God Relationship

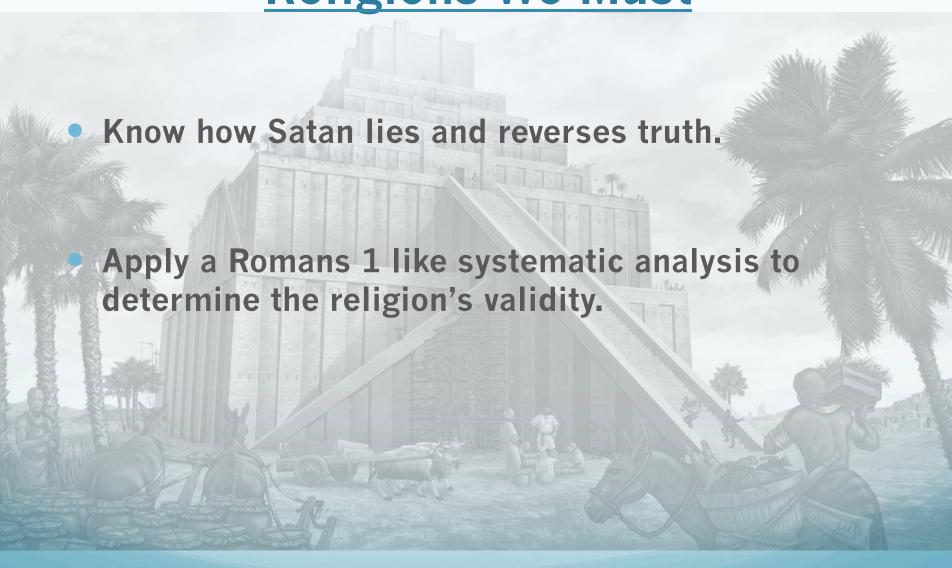
http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/ipmdvd.html

Nimrod = the sun (MALE) and Semiramis = the moon (FEMALE)

- Babylon: Marduk and Astarte
- Anunnaki: Elil and Ishtar
- Canaan / Ugarite: Baal and Asherah
- Sumaerian: An and Ki
- Hitite: Kumarbi and Hannahannas
- Egyptian: Amen and Mut
- Persia: Ahura Mazda & Spenta Armaiti
- Mesopotamia: Enil and Ninil
 - Hurrian: Teshub and Hebat
 - Lydian: Baal and Anat
 - India: Vishnu and Shiva
 - Armenia: Aramazd and Anahit

- Pre Islamic Arabia: Hubal and Manat
- Ossetian: Huycau and Satana
- Berbers: Isis and Set
- Greek: Zeus and Hera
- Roman: Jupiter and Juno
- Celtic: Rosmerta and "Mercury" & others
- China: Nilwa and Fuxi
- Japan: Isanagi and Izanami
- Korea: Cheonjiwang and Queen Baji
- Aztec: Taci and Tiazolieotl
 - Maori: Puhaoragi and Tangotango
 - Hawaiian: Kane and Na'Wahine

When Evaluating Individual Religions We Must

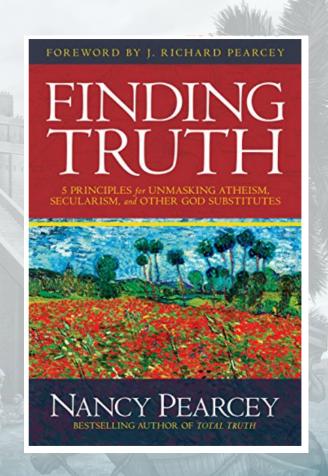


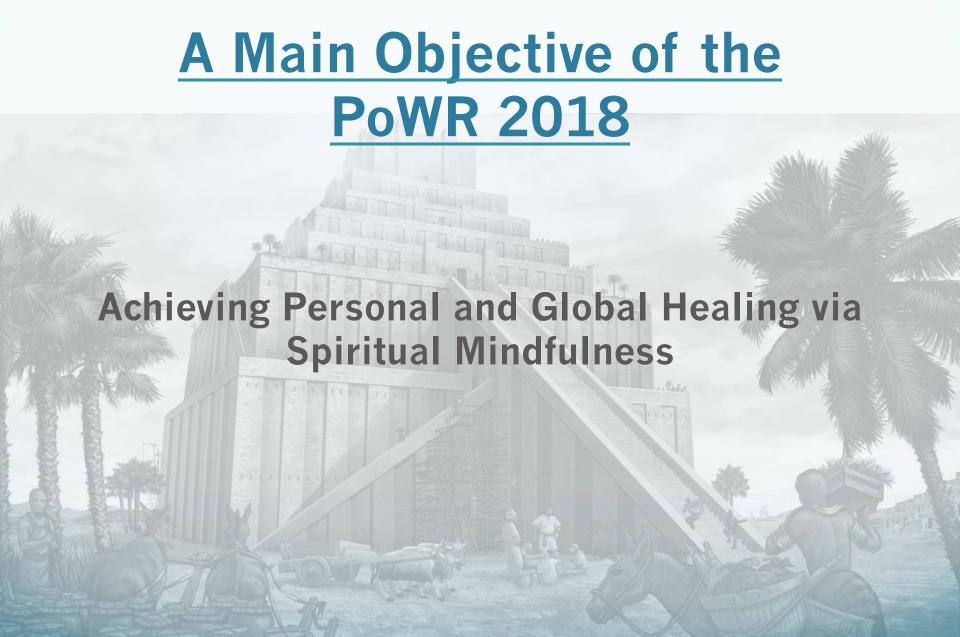
How Satan Lies

- The Snake: In the Bible Satan comes in the form of a serpent and deceives Adam and Eve into thinking they can be like God. In other religions the serpent is seen as a spirit guide/helper and can help you become like God.
- Healing: In the Bible, Jesus alone physically heals people before he spiritually heals them. Satan reverses this by saying that physical healing will never occur until after you accept the healing spiritual message that you are God.
- **The Circle**: The Bible says time is linear and we will all face judgment. Other religions teach that life is never ending so you don't have to worry about spiritual death. You will either be reincarnated or you will return to your Mother Earth.

Romans 1 5 Strategic Principles

- 1) Identify the Idol
- 2) Identify the Idol's Reductionism
- Contradict What We Know about the World?
- 4) Test the Idol: Does it contradict itself?
 - Replace the Idol: Make the Case for Christianity





Spiritual Mindfulness

"Developing wisdom is a process of bringing our minds into accordance with the way things really are. Through this process we gradually remove the incorrect perceptions of reality we have had since the beginningless time."

The Dali Lama

Our True Reality

- This life is only an illusion. We need to realize our divine nature.
- All is God and therefore we are God (pantheism) or
- God indwells in all of creation (panentheism).
- Our divine nature can only be achieved through spiritual enlightment not through purity. There needs to be a balance of death and life within nature in order to achieve enlightment.
- Having spiritual enlightment means you are also aware of our synergistic relationship with nature.
 - We are interdependent upon nature because the Creator's energy is all around us and can be tapped into for spiritual and physical healing.

The Creator's Universal Energy

- The Chinese call the unseen vibrating energies qi (chi)
- Chi is linked to the interplay of Yin and Yang and the Tao or Grand Ultimate. (i.e. Feng Shui)
- Native Americans say these energies are a manifestation of the Great Spirit or Great Sacred.
- Instead of qi, Native Americans use the term ni in Lakota, and nilchi'i in Navajo

AVATAR

All is God and God is All (pantheism) or God Indwells in All (panentheism)



Gaia-like goddess Eywa

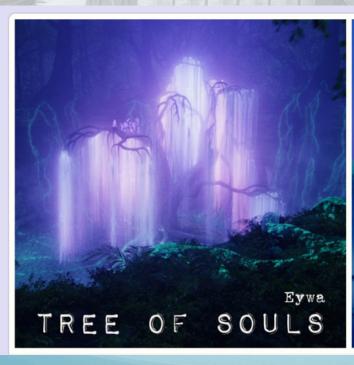


"Our great mother does not take sides (on morality). She protects only the balance of life."

Earth Religions

- Ethnic Religions of Europe
- **Ethnic Religions of Africa**
- Wicca

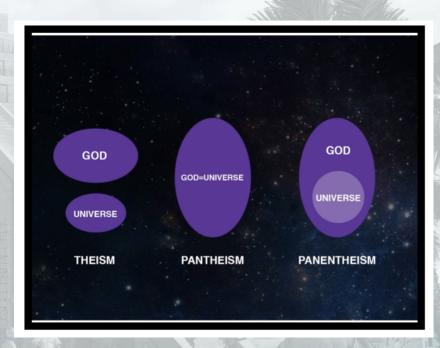
- Native American / First Nations
 Spirituality
- Indigenous Religions





Earth Religions

- Monotheism or Polytheism
- Animism
- Traditionally, what religion you follow depends upon what tribe you are a member of. Not syncretic.
- Becoming more syncretistic
- The Creator indwells in Creation (panentheism)



- The Circle of Life is never ending.
- A balance of nature is needed to ensure future life.
- Creation has and always will exist because the Creator has and always will exist. And the Creator indwells in creation.
- In some nature religions, a woman's menstrual cycle is seen as a source of power. For they are the givers of life. This leads to women being considered goddesses.

"The life of a man is a circle from childhood-to-childhood, and so it is in everything where power moves. Our tipis were round like the nests of birds, and these were always set in a circle, the nation's hoop, a nest of many nests, where the Great Spirit meant for us to hatch our children."

Black Elk, Holy Man of the Oglala Sioux



Oglala Tipi



Sweatlodge



Four Directions Medicine Wheel



Pueblo Kivas



Navajo Hogan



Hoop Dance



Dream Catchers



Tohono O'odham Labyrinth

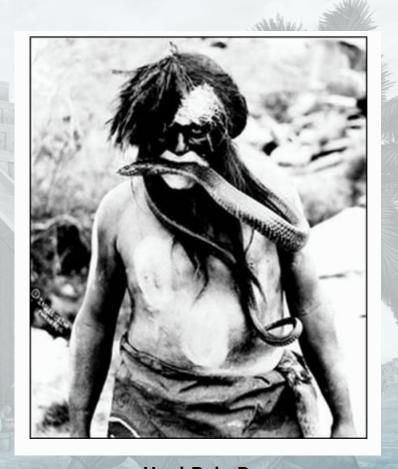
The Circle: Essential to Native American Healing

- Healing circle at Native American residential treatment center.
- Proper configuration for spirit/ Ni energy healing and guidance from the spirit world.
- Focuses on the balance between mind, body, spirit, and emotions.



PATH to POWER

- Repetitive chanting in pow wows.
- Some dances like the Ghost Dance will go on for days.
- Many are performed in order to enter an altered state of consciousness so that they can enter the spirit world.
- Animals, such as the serpent, are seen as spirit helpers and NOT the manifestation of Satan on earth.



Hopi Rain Dance
Performed to Reach
the Serpent Spirit
(aka the keeper of the rain)

Paganism

- A term used in the fourth century by early Christians for populations of the Roman Empire who practiced polytheism and were increasingly rural and provincial relative to the Christian population.
- Wicca is the fastest growing religion in America.
- Traditional ethnic religions such as Romuva, Basque, and Mari are on the rise in Europe.



European Pagan Religions



European Congress for Ethnic Religions

(http://ecer-org.eu)

The primary goal of the ECER is the strengthening of pre-Christian ethnic religious traditions of Europe, and emphasizing and fostering their ties with Neopagan movements.

- KŪLGRINDA Chants to Lithuanian Gods
- Romuva ritual folk group "Kulgrinda" performs chants and circle dance to Lithuanian gods in Lithuanian Song festival in Vilnius.
- Circles represent earth's eternal nature.



Satan's Lie Depicted as a Serpent Within Earth Religions

- Animals, such as the serpent, are seen as spirit helpers and NOT the manifestation of Satan on earth.
- In Basque mythology the dragon/serpent is viewed as the creator of weather. Like the Hopi Indians of the American SW, the Basque would try to tap into the power of the Sugaar dragon in order to control the rain.



Sugaar Basque Dragon

Identify the Idol in Earth Religions and How it Reduces the Value of Human Life

THE IDOL

The Earth goddess as the dwelling place of the Creator

HOW IT's REDUCTIONIST

- The Earth goddess is the only valuable 'life-form' and humans are often seen as parasites.
 - The Creator indwells in us, but there is no personal relationship.



THE DESTRUCTION OF PANDORA "Pantheists argue that the Biblical teaching of a transcendent God has alienated us from nature – that it caused Western culture to rape and plunder the earth." Finding Truth, pg 127

How the Idol of Earth Religions Contradicts Reality

- No one religion is true or false. It depends upon your tribe or region of origin. But many of these religions have creation stories and "truths" that contradict each other. Earth religions violate the law of non contradiction.
- The gods were often immoral and were prone to greed, adultery, quarreling, jealousy, and deception. Civilization cannot exist without morality.
- The pagan gods emerged from the primeval substance called chaos an undefined, unbounded, nothingness. The gods are fabricated, man made fantasies that can not be tested by the scientific method.



- If the Creator already indwells in all things then why do we have to put ourselves through such dangerous rituals in order to reach knowledge?
 - Dancing and chanting to delirium
 - Psychotropic drugs

Make the Case for Christianity

- We were made for a relationship not a ritual.
- Why do most humans desire personal relationships at all levels? Could it be that we are designed that way?
- Why would we have personal relationships with each other and not with God?
- There is no evidence for the creation stories of earth religions. We are finding more and more evidence for the Biblical creation account.

Philosophical Religions















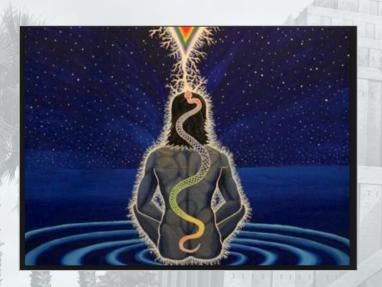








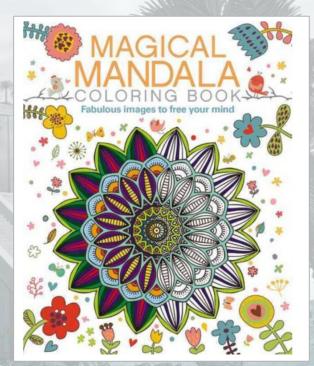
Satan's Lie in the Form of the Serpent and the Circle





South Indian carving of Patanjali

Kundalini Awakening: acceptance that you are God.



Meditating on the eternity of nature via the mandala.

Satan's Lie in the Form of a Serpent in Hinduism and Buddhism

Kundalini Yoga

Unwinding the Serpent Within You to Discover Your Inner Divinity and Power







Identify the Idol in Hinduism and Buddhism and How it Reduces the Value of Human Life

THE IDOL

The underlying spiritual unity.

HOW IT's REDUCTIONIST

- Your identity or ego (maya) is a source of evil and leads to selfishness, greed, and war. You must loose yourself and merge with the cosmic One.
- In Buddhist Nirvana you become extinguished.
- In Hinduism those who are at the lowest caste are called "untouchable" and it's actually considered cruel to help them.

 These people are called the Dalits.



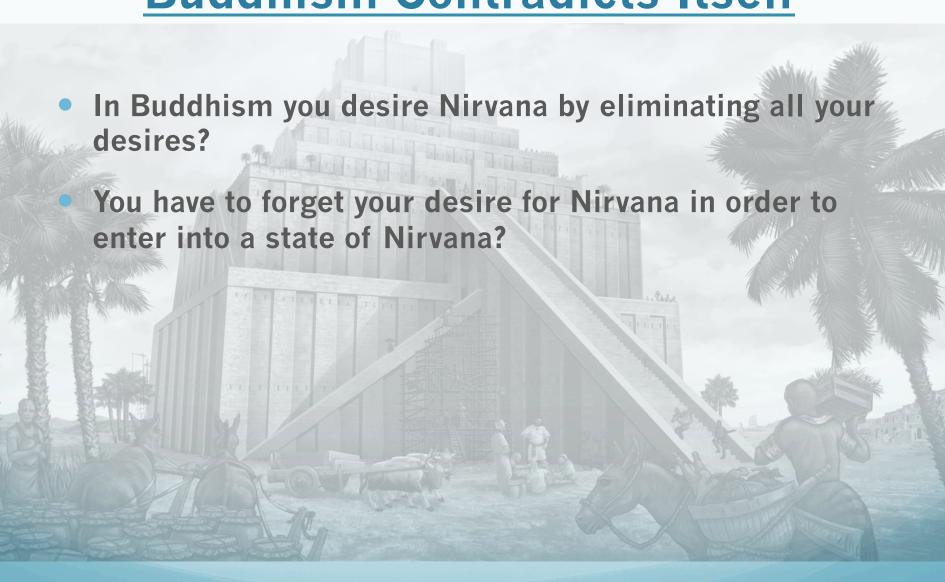
Join the collective (the cosmic One.)

Resistance is futile.

How the Idol of Hinduism and Buddhism Contradicts Reality

- No one religion is true or false. It depends upon your individual path. But many of these religions contradict one another. There is no basis for right or wrong. You can say there is no moral truth, but you can't survive without moral truth.
- Reincarnation is dependent upon an "oscillating universe theory". But this has been debunked by Hubble's "red shift" discovery. Even Einstein had to admit there was a finite beginning to the universe.
- There is no evidence that anything besides the human has a consciousness or spirit. How can pond scum reincarnate into a dog or a man?

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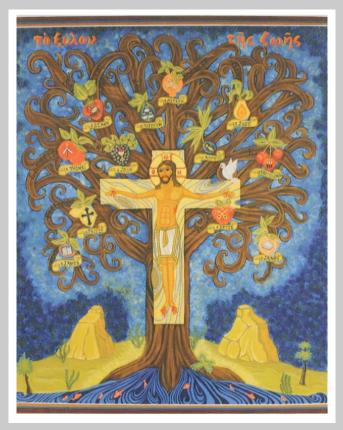
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- The God of Christianity does not erase our individual identity but actually confirms it.
- There is no historical evidence to support the Vedas or any other literature within Hinduism and Buddhism. Your history is dependent upon thousands of years of spoken mantras. Nothing was written down in a timely manner. The New Testament was written within 50 years of Christ's death.
 - There is no evidence outside your mantras and literature to support your faith. Christianity is supported by church literature and hostile pagan and jewish literature from the time of Jesus.



Syncretism

How Satan (the serpent) Merges the Trees

Tree of Life



Worshipping the Creator

Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil









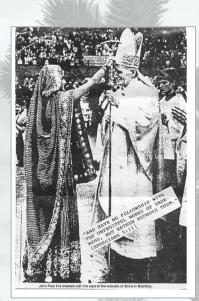
Worshipping the creation as the Creator or part of the Creator

Examples of Syncretism in Christianity

- Labyrinths in Christian Churches
- Yoga in church
- Merging of Buddhism and Christianity
- Japanese Noh Theater at the Vatican.
- Jesuit Catholic priests as practicing medicine men. Taking psychotropic drugs to enter into spirit world.
- Eastern Orthodox Church in Georgia practicing Romuva

The gospel of Jesus Christ is being replaced by the common social justice gospel.





The Serpent's Obfuscation of True Christianity

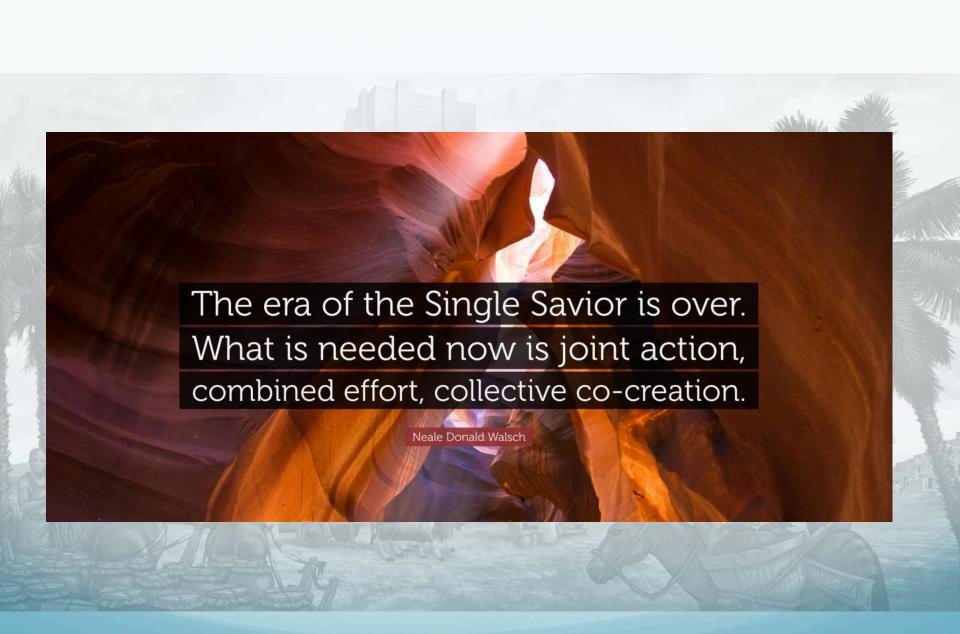
• **Angitia**: was the Roman god of snakes and healing among the Marsi, a Latin tribe who lived in the mountainous region of Italy, which is today known as Abruzzo. After Rome became Christianized, San Domenico, the patron saint of Abruzzo, took her place. Today the "Festival of the Serpari" is a popular Catholic festival where a statue of San Domenico is draped (obfuscated) with snakes and carried through the region in a great procession.







A young priest partakes in the festival CREDIT: MICAELA CIANCA



Syncretism Resulting in Forced Unity and Cults

The Native American Church

Unitarian/Universalism

Native American prophecies about a new age of global consciousness.

Antichrist

Jesus Christ
A world teacher,
not God, will
usher in a new
age of global
consciousness.

Share International & Theosophical Society

Maitrya
The Buddhist
Christ /world
teacher who will
usher in a new age
of global
consciousness

Messiah Foundation International

Kalki Avatar
The Hindu Christ /
world teacher who
will usher in a new
age of global
consciousness.

Islam

Imam Mahdi
The Islamic world
teacher, and his
assistant, the
Prophet Jesus
(Issa), will establish
a global caliphate.

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