Background and Reasons for the Deceptions and the Series of Heretical Eschatological Doctrines

Preamble

What is TRUTH?

The Bible gives us three definitions of **TRUTH**:

John 14-6 – "Jesus saith unto him, I AM the WAY, the TRUTH, and the LIFE: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

John 17:17 - "Sanctify them through thy TRUTH: thy WORD is TRUTH."

Psalms 119:151 - "Thou art near, O LORD; and all thy COMMANDMENTS are TRUTH."

Scripture tells us that we can ONLY find TRUTH through CHRIST, the WORD of God and His COMMANDMENTS. Christ is the personification of TRUTH.

In this study, we will come across many versions and interpretations of various eschatological subjects. Scripture tells us that the ONLY version of TRUTH is from the Word of God, "Thy Word is Truth". As believers, I trust that we can all agree on this precept and use it to guide our study.

I invite my readers to join me on this journey to discover the TRUTH regarding these subjects. I pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us and give us wisdom and discernment, including a spirit of humbleness to accept and acknowledge errors that we may have learned in the past and the openness and wisdom to relearn by taking God's TRUTH.

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The past teaches us about the present. History gives us the tools to analyse and see critical events and patterns that might otherwise be invisible in the present. Understanding past events provides a crucial perspective for understanding present circumstances and establishing Truth.
- 1.2. God must surely want us to know and understand history. For this reason, He has given us the Book of Daniel, which foretells the history of empires, nations and powers that prophesied the present political and religious scenario and as a foreshadowing to Christ's Revelation to John, the apostle in terms of their perspective end times events. These books and others such as Ezekiel, Zechariah, Thessalonians, Corinthians, Peters, Jude and Revelation reveal the knowledge that God wants us to have so that we can be prepared and not be deceived by all kinds of wind of doctrine.

2. Source Book and Reference Material.

- 2.1. As an ex-general, I wrote papers and proposals to my bosses, the Chief of Army and the Chief of Defence Force and even to the Cabinet. The main challenge then was that there would be several sourcebooks and reference materials for every subject, and thus needed to filter and find the most appropriate ones to base on.
- 2.2. The study to find the Truth is relatively more straightforward. **There is ONLY ONE SOURCEBOOK THE WORD OF GOD.**
- 2.3. The <u>ONLY</u> filter in this study is the Bible, the Word of God. "Thus said the Lord" will be the only approach in this study to separate Truth from error.

3. What is the Intent of This Study?

- 3.1. The intent of this study is twofold:
 - 3.1.1. To understand what Scripture teaches about the various eschatological subjects from a strictly "thus said the Lord" approach.
 - 3.1.2. To understand the series of heretical doctrines on the various eschatological subjects and to investigate the background and reasons for these deceptions.

4. What is Deception?

- 4.1. As the focus of this study is to uncover lies and deception that have, over time, infiltrated mainstream Protestant and Evangelical doctrines and the reasons for these deceptions, it is essential that we understand the word 'deception.'
- 4.2. Again, my past preoccupation taught me the influence, supremacy, power and application of deception. Sun Tze says, "All wars are based on deception". I would always have a deception component in my military operational plans and be mindful to guard myself against the deception trickery of my adversary lest I be deceived into executing a manoeuvre that could lead to possible desolation of my forces.
- 4.3. The Bible teaches that we are in the midst of spiritual warfare, a war between good and evil; deception is the name of the game in warfare, and Satan is the master deceiver.
 - 4.3.1. Revelation 12:7 "And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon fought and his angels,"

- 4.3.2. Revelation 12:9 "So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and <u>Satan</u>, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."
- 4.3.3. Genesis 3:13 "And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat."
- 4.3.4. Ephesians 6:11-12 "Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."
- 4.3.5. The Bible teaches us that one of the effects of being deceived is not to follow the Word of God but the lie and deception of Satan. This study will demonstrate beyond the shadow of a doubt the effects on today's Protestantism. John 8:43-45 "Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word. Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not."
- 4.3.6. This study series has been made to help believers understand the deception being played out amid this spiritual warfare, to know the deceptive lies, who created them, why they were created and the biblical position on these issues.
- 4.4. The Britannia Dictionary gives two definitions of the word 'deception.'
 - 4.4.1. The act of making someone believe something untrue. The act of deceiving someone.

- 4.4.2. An act or statement intended to make people believe something untrue.
- 4.5. Wikipedia gives a similar definition of the word 'deception' and adds that the act of deception carries an intent. Deception or falsehood is an act or statement that misleads, hides the truth, and promotes a belief, concept, or idea that is not true. It is often done for personal or organisational gain or advantage.
- 4.6. The act of deception must have an intent and purpose. Misleading, hiding the truth or promoting a belief, concept, or idea, and untruth must be done to achieve specific objectives. In other words, any study on deception must not only uncover the deception, the lies, the act of misleading, hiding the truth and promoting a belief or idea to deceive but also the intent of the deception to provide a comprehensive understanding of the ruse.
- 4.7. This study will expose the deception's lies, and the intent of the deception regarding eschatological subjects.

5. The Power of Deception and the Difficulties of Coming Out from Deception and Indoctrination

- 5.1. "A lie told often enough becomes the truth" Vladimir Lenin
- 5.2. A lie repeatedly said over a prolonged period will sooner or later be accepted as the truth. However, can one only imagine what it will be like if the lies are institutionalised, taught and propagated in a global institutional setting, such as in colleges, universities, seminaries and Bible schools, not for decades but centuries? This is the crux of the issue confronting Protestantism today regarding the problem of deception.

- 5.3. A person, organisation or community will never know, let alone admit, that they have been deceived. Many studies have shown that those deceived are the ones who end up defending the errors and falsehoods, much to the pleasure of the adversary.
- 5.4. Countries that have to deal with problems of indoctrination, whether it is communism, terrorism or with some religious groups, know the challenges of getting indoctrinated people to change their thinking, mindset and belief system. Realigning the individuals concerned would take years of painstaking effort, and there is no guarantee of success. Such is the power of deception and indoctrination. As we will see from this study, Satan has used it successfully to dupe mainstream Protestant and Evangelical leadership to accept unbiblical doctrines and lead their flocks away from the Truth. This is the sad reality facing Protestantism.
- **6.** A Challenge to all Believers, especially if You Are a Pastor, Elder or an Individual Holding Some Leadership Position. I urge every believer to read, study the notes, and test everything by the Word. This study series is not meant to indoctrinate but to present biblical facts. Therefore, study the facts, which must correlate with the Word. If they do, accept them and if they do not, reject them. Pray for guidance from the Holy Spirit to give you wisdom and discernment to ascertain the Truth on the various subjects discussed in the study notes. Pray that the Holy Spirit gives you a mind and heart willing to learn and unlearn, if necessary, to embrace Truth. Amen!

7. A Summary of the History of the Early Church Before the Reformation

7.1. Following the ascension of Christ to heaven and Pentecost, the apostles, including Paul and the early church fathers, preached and spread the gospel literally like wildfires. The early church period was characterised by much persecution among the believers who had refused to worship the Roman Emperors who had proclaimed

themselves gods. The Roman masters were astonished that with more persecutions and deaths, the number of believers grew even more significant, and it seemed that there was no way to stop the spread of Christianity in the Roman Empire.

- 7.2. Satan, working through man, was obviously behind the persecution and killing, and he soon realised that his tactics of persecution did not succeed against Christ's followers and the destruction of Christianity. Satan, being a master strategist and the great deceiver, changed his strategy. Instead of using persecution to stop the growth of Christianity and salvation to the people, he ingeniously brought in compromises, heresies, a false gospel and eventually an apostate church to achieve his intent. By the end of the 2nd Century, history tells us that apostasy and paganism had already crept into the church. By the 4th Century, many false doctrines had found their way into the church, such as the gradual replacement of the Sabbath with the day of the Sun god, Sunday, the doctrine of life after death, which had originated from Greek and Egyptian mythologies, the celebration of pagan festivals such as 25 December which was the birth date of the pagan god, Saturn and Easter, a celebration of the spring equinox for the pagan. Slowly but surely, the Word of God was being distorted by Satan so that Truth would not reach believers. Christ has prophesied this apostate development within the church in the Book of Revelation 2:12-17, the Church of Pergamum.
- 7.3. Pergamum is the seat of Satan, as the Book of Revelation tells us. Revelation 2:13 "I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is:....where Satan dwelleth" Wrapped in the garb of Christianity, Satan had ingeniously and deceptively ingrained the mindset of Babylon amongst some early Christian leaders. Revelation 2:14-15 "But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication. So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitanes, which thing I hate." Christ in the Book of Revelation teaches us that Satan had already been indoctrinating

the early Christians with paganism ideas disguised as Christianity. The seed for apostasy and corruption within the church had already been planted in the early church era, and the roots and shoots of an apostate church began to grow without anyone being aware! The world will soon see the tree that Satan had planted in the early church age grow to be the biggest apostate religious group in the world. Revelation 13:3 – "....and all the world wondered after the beast."

- 7.4. Western history and Christianity took a sudden major turn in AD 313 when Emperor Constantine declared Christianity as the Roman Empire's official religion mainly for political reasons to unite the Roman Empire against the threat of the barbarian tribes attacking the empire then. Until that time, the majority of the population in the Roman Empire were pagans. Cities in the Roman Empire were filled with temples of Roman and Greek gods. Upon the declaration by Constantine, hordes of people, especially those in the higher political, military and administrative hierarchy, suddenly became Christian principally for political, financial, social and practical reasons since it would be impossible to retain their high office positions if they were not Christians and aligned with Constantine's declaration. Of course, most have little clue regarding the Christian faith, and many practised a paganised version of Christianity. The magnificent Roman and Greek temples were abruptly converted to Christian churches. The statues of Jupiter, Zeus, Apollo and other Roman and Greek gods were renamed St Peter, St Paul, St James, etc. The officeholders of the church were swiftly elevated not only in their religious positions but, more importantly, in their political and social status and standing. The Bishop of Rome, for example, was second to none except to the Emperor himself. In AD 324, Emperor Constantine shifted his capital to Constantinople (Istanbul) due to the increasing threat of the barbarians against Rome. The seat of Rome that was left empty was prophetically filled by the Bishop of Rome. Satan has achieved a successful structural inroad to compromise the church even further!
- 7.5. An event more significant than the announcement by Constantine in AD 313 declaring Christianity as the Roman Empire's official religion happened in AD 538. Emperor Justinian in that year declared that the

papacy would be given political power and the office would be the corrector of heresy. The papacy would have the military protection of the Roman Emperor to back up his supreme position. The shift or transition of what belonged to the Roman Empire was handed over in AD 538 to the Roman Catholic Church and the papal function. The Code of Justinian was a persecuting instrument, and Emperor Justinian used it to uphold the papacy's supremacy. It became the turning point not only in the history of the Roman Empire but the world since so many aspects on religious, political, administrative and economic levels were affected, plus the very fabric of everything today! As far as Christianity was concerned, it seemed as if a death blow had been decreed as Satan put in place a system and organisation that had both the political and religious cloud that would change God's Laws, God's Word and anything and everything that is of God.

- 7.6. The papacy took on the title of 'Pontifex Maximus', someone with political and religious authority. In the Roman Republic, the Pontifex Maximus was the head of the Roman religion. The papacy was the most important of the Pontifices (plural of Pontifex), which were positions in the central sacred college (Collegium Pontificum), which the Pontifex Maximus directed. Henceforth, the title 'Pontifex Maximus' became one of the titles of the Popes of the Roman Catholic Church who hold it to this day. This is unusual because most of Roman paganism's technical terms were avoided in Christian Latin's vocabulary in favour of neologisms or Greek words. Still, this title was too grandiose to be discarded by the papacy! The term Pontifex Maximus is commonly found in inscriptions on buildings, paintings, statues, and coins about the papacy. It is usually abbreviated as "Pont Max ... which can be easily seen today in Rome and the Vatican!
- 7.7. In further elevating the papacy's position, he is called "Holy Father". Scripture teaches us not to call anyone "father" except one's natural father, as only one Father is in heaven. *Matthew 23:9 "And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven."* By identifying himself as "Holy Father", the papacy establishes himself as a god to all men. Remember this prophecy of

- Paul, 2 Thessalonians 2:4 "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God."
- 7.8. Slowly but surely, pagan Rome soon became papacy Rome. The Babylonian sun god that was worshipped by all the pagan civilisations that followed after Babylon, Egypt, Medo-Persia, Greece, and Rome naturally became the object of worship in papal Rome. Today the manifestation of the worship of the sun god is proudly displayed in the Vatican and every Roman Catholic cathedral in the world by the symbol of the sun and the male and female solar rays surrounding it. As a matter of fact, the largest solar wheel in the world is in the central Vatican Square itself, with the Egyptian obelisk in the centre, the symbol of the male organ. Unknown to most Roman Catholics, the highest order of Roman Catholicism worships the sun god and the Babylonian and Egyptian trinity, Nimrod, Semiramis, Tammuz or Isis, Horus, and Seth (IHS). The initial 'IHS" can be seen commonly on numerous Roman Catholic buildings, artefacts and even on the host of the Eucharist. The initial 'HIS' is also part of the emblem of the Jesuit Order. It is no wonder that Roman Catholics display their so-called saints, Mary etc., with a solar disc over their heads, all symbolism of the worship of the Babylonian sun god. Interestingly, God will deal with Mystery Babylon, Mother of Harlots, in the final event of world history as per the Book of Revelation.
- 7.9. Until the papacy suffered the "mortal wound" in 1898, for 1260 years from AD 538, the papacy reigned as the supreme political and religious leader, having both church and state powers. The papacy can be likened to the sole superpower of the Middle Ages. This period of 1260 years was prophesied seven times in the Bible, twice in the Book of Daniel and five times in the Book of Revelation. It refers to the time between AD 538, when the papacy was given both political and religious power by Emperor Justinian, to AD 1879, when Napoleon's General Berthier marched into the Vatican and removed the political power of the papacy, thus fulfilling the 1260 years' prophesy. God must have wanted His followers to know this prediction and its significance to repeat and tell us seven times that the papacy is the

'little horn power, namely the Anti-Christ! The time prophesy was repeated seven times in scripture as follows:

7.9.1.1.1.	Daniel 7:25, "time, times and a half"
7.9.1.1.2.	Daniel 12:7, "time, times and a half"
7.9.1.1.3.	Revelation 11:2, "42 months"
7.9.1.1.4.	Revelation 11:3, "1260 days".
7.9.1.1.5.	Revelation 12:6, "1260 days"
7.9.1.1.6.	Revelation 12:14, "time, times and a half"
7.9.1.1.7.	Revelation 13:5, "42 months"

- 7.10. The period from AD 546 up to the period of the Reformation is commonly referred to as the Dark Ages. It was a period when numerous anti-Christ doctrines and practices were formalised by the papacy, which continues to this day. The worship of idols was promoted, and the papacy dared to change God's Commandments by removing the 2nd Commandment that states, "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them nor serve them". One need not be a bible scholar to understand the intent for removing the 2nd Commandment. It gives Roman Catholicism the freedom to practise idol worship, venerate the dead, and perform spiritualism, all abominations to God!
- 7.11. Satan hates the atonement of Christ and the message of salvation by faith. The papacy, therefore, denies the atonement of Christ on the Cross and formalises the Roman Catholic church's doctrine of transubstantiation, which, according to the papal doctrine, the bread and wine in Holy Communion become the actual body and blood of Christ. In essence, Roman Catholicism subjects Christ's physical body and blood to be sacrificed repeatedly during every mass, a symbolic victory of Satan over Christ in the crucifixion. Since Christ did not atone for our sins, the papacy offers a fake solution: its priests can forgive the parishioners' sins, even though the Bible teaches that only God can forgive sins. Claiming that one can forgive sin is tantamount to blasphemy! Link to the message of salvation, the satanic doctrine

- of purgatory was introduced to instil fear in people and to give absolute powers to the papacy to manipulate the parishioners' anxiety and achieve absolute control over their lives. The doctrine of purgatory is another direct assault on Christ's message of salvation by faith and righteousness to the papacy's doctrine of salvation by work.
- 7.12. Almost every fundamental teaching of Christ is violated or tainted with errors such as elevating the position of Mary as the 'Mother of God', 'Queen of Heaven', worshipping her and making her the Mediatrix of all graces, essentially replacing Christ. Mary, to the innermost circle of the Vatican, has an esoteric meaning. She is not the Mary of the Bible, but Semiranis or Isis, the Babylonian and Egyptian goddess. Such abomination against Christ can only be initiated by one character, Satan himself! Besides the worship of Mary, the worship of the dead, necromancy was promoted with the worship of all their so-called saints, another affront and abomination to God.
- 7.13. The papacy also changed the 4th Commandment and altered the Lord's Sabbath from the last day of the week established during creation to worshipping the Sun god instead on Sunday and deceptively calling it the 'Day of the Lord' to gain more comprehensive support from Christians at that point of time, and the deception runs to this day! Unfortunately, the practice of Sunday worship to replace the Sabbath by Roman Catholicism was adopted by the Reformers even after the break away from the Roman Catholics and thus is carried out to this day by mainstream Protestant and Evangelical churches. However, unlike the Roman Catholic Church, which had openly acknowledged that the Sabbath is the last day of the week as commanded by God explicitly in the Bible, and the change to Sunday is a demonstration of the ecclesiastical powers of the papacy, Protestants and Evangelicals today audaciously try to justify the observance as biblical when it is not!
- 7.14. "The Sabbath was Saturday, not Sunday. The (Roman Catholic) Church altered the observance of the Sabbath to the observance of Sunday. Protestants must be rather puzzled by the keeping of Sunday when

God distinctly said, 'Keep holy the Sabbath Day.' The word Sunday does not come anywhere in the Bible, so, without knowing it, they are obeying the authority of the Catholic Church." — Canon Cafferata, The Catechism Explained, p. 89. Here is a perfect example of the church being deceived, and instead of adhering to God's Word and His Commandment, pride or whatever reasons led them to perpetuate the error, which will have severe consequences at the time of the end. Many official Roman Catholic documents directly attested to the fact that the papacy had changed the 4th Commandment, like the one made in 1893 by the Catholic Mirror on the Christian Sabbath. https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/The_Christian_Sabbath_(Catholic_Mirror)

- 7.15. To summarise the papacy's satanic undertakings, these are doctrines from the bottomless pit prophesied by the prophet Daniel. Daniel 7:25 "And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time".
- 7.16. To ensure that the satanic practices of abomination against the Most High remained undisclosed and masked from the masses, the Roman Catholic Church banned the reading of the Bible, effectively denying the Word of God and Truth to the then world. The Word of God would have revealed the Truth and the errors of the papacy's satanic and anti-Christ doctrines and practices. Therefore, preventing people from knowing the Truth was an essential component of the papacy's stratagem to enable it to perpetuate its satanic acts; hence, reading the Bible was an offence, punishable by death! This period was distinct by the horrendous number of deaths and persecutions of Bible-believing Christians who did not adhere to the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. Millions of people were brutally slaughtered by the papacy in numbers that make the Holocaust look like child's play!
- 7.17. This was a period of spiritual darkness as worshipping the One True God was prohibited and politicised for the papacy's gain. The desire

and act to know the Word of God was punishable by death! The secular world recognised this fact and called it the Dark Ages. In the spiritual battle of good against evil, it appears that Satan had it so good for 1260 years, nullifying the sacrifice of Christ and wiping out salvation in Christ from the face of the earth. Christ prophesied this state of affairs in Revelation 13:4 – "And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?". True Christianity lost so much during the thousand years of the Dark Ages that it may almost be called the climacteric tragedy of history.

- 7.18. Revelation 13:4 is still applicable today as we undoubtedly see the supernatural powers of Satan at work supporting the papacy. Otherwise, what other logical explanation can there be that Roman Catholicism, with all its anti-Christ practices, traditions and doctrines, is the largest religion in the world with about 1.2 billion followers who are duped into thinking that Roman Catholicism is a religion based on Christ's teachings? "Who is like unto the beast? Who is able to make war with him?" The status quo will end with the Second Coming of Christ. 2 Thessalonians 2:8 -"whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:"
- 7.19. God in His mercy, even before the main Reformation movement by Martin Luther, John Calvin and the other Reformers had raised a group of men and women to bring the Word of God back to His people. By the 13th Century, we saw the dawn of God's Light being brought back to His people through martyrs such as Jan Huss and John Wycliffe. These early reformers started to translate the Bible to their native languages and brought back the wonderful message of the Word of God to mankind but paid for their labour for Christ with their blood at the hands of the papacy; *Revelation 17:6 "And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus..."* In the Reformation, God initiated His plan to check Satan's advances and bring His Word back to the world. Hallelujah!

8. The Reformation.

- 8.1. The Protestant Reformation was the religious revolution in the Western church in the 16th century. Having far-reaching religious, political, economic, and social implications, the Reformation became the basis for founding Protestantism. It was also considered one of the events that signified the end of the Middle/Dark Ages and the beginning of the early modern period in Europe.
- 8.2. The world of the late medieval Roman Catholic Church from which the 16th-century reformers emerged was complex. Over the centuries, the church, particularly in the office of the papacy, had developed numerous anti-Christ doctrines, traditions and practices that had become deeply involved in the political life of Western Europe. The resulting intrigues and political manipulations, combined with the church's increasing power and wealth, contributed to the bankrupting of the church as a spiritual force. Abuses such as the sale of indulgences (or spiritual privileges) by the clergy and other charges of corruption undermined the church's spiritual authority, resulting in grave ongoing concern for renewal within the church even in the years before Luther posted his Ninety-five Theses on the door of the Castle Church, Wittenberg, Germany, on October 31, 1517,
- 8.3. In his Ninety-five Theses, Luther attacked the indulgence system, insisting that the pope had no authority over purgatory and that the doctrine of the merits of the saints had no foundation in the gospel. Here lay the key to Luther's concerns for the ethical and theological reform of the church: Scripture alone is authoritative (sola scriptura), and justification is by faith (sola fide), not by works. God's Hand was at work to restore Truth.

9. The Twin -Pillars of the Reformation. They are:

9.1. **Justification by Faith Alone** (Sola Fides and the other two foundational tenets Sola Scripture & Sola Gratia). God brought back His Truth and Christ in central focus to mankind so that Christ's

atonement for sin and salvation by the righteousness of Christ to mankind can be restored.

- 9.2. That the papacy is the Anti-Christ. Every Reformer from Martin Luther, Calvin, Wesley, Crammer, Melanchthon, Hus, Wycliffe, Knots, Cromwell, Tyndale and hundreds of thousands of believers during the pre-Reformation, Reformation and post-Reformation period were all on one accord that the papacy is the Anti-Christ based on their study of the Word. The Books of Daniel, Thessalonians, Peter, Jude and Revelation contain irrefutable prophecies and evidence that point out to anyone studying the bible seriously that the papacy is the Anti-Christ and that the Roman Catholics System is the apostate beast of Revelation and the Anti-Christ system.
- 9.3. The spread of Gutenberg's printing press provided the means for rapidly disseminating religious materials in the vernacular. As the Bible was translated into the various native languages, millions of people were exposed to the Word and Truth and the unbiblical doctrines and pagan practices of the papacy. The most damaging truth was that based on the Book of Daniel, 2 Thessalonians, and Revelation, the Anti-Christ is none other than the papacy. Bible prophesies have pointed to this fact and proven it beyond the shadow of a doubt.

10. The Catholic Counter-Reformation Movement

10.1. The Reformation movement is God's restoration plan for His church, as prophesied in the Book of Revelation, the Church of Sardis. Much of the papacy's political powers were eroded as the light of God's Word exposed and made visible the unbiblical and anti-Christ doctrines and traditions of the Roman Catholic Church. Many political entities at the time saw the papacy and the Roman Catholic system as nothing more than a reprobate that used their traditions and heretic doctrines to create fear and exploit the peoples' lack of scriptural knowledge. The most damaging evidence surfaced and revealed that the Anti-Christ was none other than the papacy seat. The papacy's position was in deep trouble and had to respond by hook or crook,

using all its powers and wealth to reinstate its religious, political, financial and social status. The Bible tells us that Satan is the powerhouse of the papacy, and the papacy countered the threat using characteristically Satan's favourite methodology, namely destruction and deception.

- 10.2. The Reformation Movement presented the greatest challenge to the papacy, necessitating its revitalisation with more punitive oppression, persecution and execution to subvert the 'rebellion' against its supreme position. Hitherto, the papacy was more than a king of kings, with every European monarchy, prince and even emperor such as Charlemagne the Great bowing to the Pontifex Maximus and the 'Holy Father'. The Reformation Movement, in about 50 years, had changed everything that the papacy had achieved and was in the last 1,000 years in its political and religious dominance, supremacy and authority. One can only imagine how furious and uncompromising the dragon and the first beast of Revelation were to restore the status quo.
- 10.3. The Catholic Reformation or Revival was the papacy's effort to counter the Reformation movement. The papacy established the Jesuits Order (Society of Jesus) on 27 September 1540. Note how deceptive and illusory the Order was named "Jesuits" and "Society of Jesus" to give a holy and righteous connotation to their anti-Christ mission. Matthew 7:21 "Not everyone who calls me Lord will enter God's kingdom". The Jesuits Order is a military order to revive and spearhead the use of force against those considered heretics. Heretics are those who believe in the teachings of the Bible, which are incongruent with the doctrines and traditions of the Roman Catholic Church. The papacy had started in the 12th Century to persecute and slay Bible-believing Christians even before the main Reformation movement.
- 10.4. The most critical and significant mission of the Jesuits Order is to restore and reinstate the pre-eminence of the papacy to its pre-Reformation era and the destruction of Protestantism. To be a Jesuit, one has to undertake the onerous Jesuit Oath, which is an undertaking

- to give one's own life for the cause if necessary. See Annex A for a brief note on the Jesuit Order and the Jesuit's Oath.
- 10.5. Satan is an intelligent and shrew learner, and he knows that the best way to subjugate Christianity is to vanquish it from within, not unlike the feat he had so wonderfully executed and achieved during the early Church Age through the Middle Kingdom era. Integral with the Jesuits' mission is undermining Truth exposed by the Reformation Movement from the Word of God, mainly that the papacy is the Anti-Christ. This mission, by the way, is a work in progress and continues to this day! Herein lies the background and explanation for the numerous distortions and misinterpretations of certain biblical doctrines, passages and verses to give a biased and untruthful understanding of Scripture to obscure and, at worst, to confuse believers as to the identity of the Anti-Christ and related subjects in eschatology.
- 10.6. To this effect, two Jesuit Priests formulated the doctrines of Preterism and Futurism to spin and throw off biblical interpretation concerning the fact that the papacy is the Anti-Christ that had been unanimously agreed by all the founders of the various Protestant denominations, Lutherans, Calvinists, Baptists, Anglicans, Methodists, Presbyterians, etc.
- 10.7. Preterism In 1579, Jesuit priest Luis de Alcasar's exposition was that the Anti-Christ had already arrived during the Greek Empire under King Antiochus IV Epiphanes, so the papacy could not be the Anti-Christ. King Antiochus IV Epiphanes was already dead, and the anti-Christ was dead! This doctrine can be easily dismissed as a 'bad heresy' because the Book of Daniel clearly says that the "Little Horn" power will rise from the 4th kingdom the Roman Empire and not earlier, from the Greek Empire. This 'bad heresy', however, gives us a hint regarding the Jesuits' intent to lead people away from the identity of the Anti-Christ, but regrettably, was done very poorly.

10.8. Futurism.

- 10.8.1. At about the same time, Jesuit priest and theologian, Francisco Ribera's created an exposition opposite of Preterism. He suggested that the Anti-Christ has not appeared and will appear only in the future at the time of the end, during the period of the seven-year Great Tribulation.
- 10.8.2. The doctrine suggests that the Anti-Christ has not been revealed; therefore, the Anti-Christ cannot be the papacy. Ribera's futurism is undoubtedly a more innovative and better proposition than his fellow Jesuit compatriot Alcasar's Preterism to dupe the world. The doctrine of futurism is indeed a wily conception throwing into the future the appearance of the Anti-Christ. Who can say with authority that they can see the future and attest that the Anti-Christ will not appear? Very clever, very, very clever indeed!
- 10.8.3. However, they forget that our all-knowing God, who sees the future, has revealed clearly through His Word who the Anti-Christ is to His followers. All the early Reformers, in one accord, confirmed that the Anti-Christ is the papacy from the study of the Bible and that the Anti-Christ was already in their midst "after the falling away" since the Middle Ages. Being in the infancy stage of the development of the deception, the Jesuits' fairy tales of Preterism and Futurism, were quickly and widely exposed as lies and deceptions by the Protestant world as they kept a safe distance from the papacy, whom scripture has revealed is the Anti-Christ. See the study note on the 'Identity of the Anti-Christ' for a more detailed analysis of the subject.
- 10.8.4. Most importantly, apply the character of God to this study, and we can confidently conclude that surely God wants His people to know who the Anti-Christ is rather than to have His people running in circles and second-guessing who his identity is. Does it make sense for God to respond in a way

that will confuse His people? Our Almighty and all-knowing God has already revealed to mankind who is the anti-Christ through His Word. The Jesuit's story-line of Futurism will be immediately exposed as another destructive heresy, but not if they were able to distort the interpretation of specific bible passages and verses and align these interpretations to harmonise their story-line that the Anti-Christ has not appeared and will appear at some future time. And having developed their deceptive lies, the Jesuits infiltrated and controlled learning institutions so that the doctrines taught were only the version they had concocted. Very smart!

11.Distortion of Scripture to Render the Doctrine of Futurism to Appear Credible, even Biblical

- 11.1. The Jesuits Order took a relatively long time, about 20-30 years, to fabricate their stories to respond to the Reformation Movement's definitive conclusion that the papacy based on scripture is the Anti-Christ. The protracted period was spent researching and studying scripture to find loopholes and ways to present a misleading, albeit convincing interpretation of various passages, paragraphs and chapters in the Bible to support their narrative that the Anti-Christ is not the papacy and that the Anti-Christ is not in the world yet.
- 11.2. For the distorted interpretation to appear convincing and credible, the selected text must allow room for various interpretations. Hence, it can be argued that neither interpretation can be convincingly accurate and correct. Cleverly, they create a condition to suggest that there is room for another interpretation and version. This approach allowed the Jesuits to sow the seed of false doctrine that opened the floodgate for a series of heretical and unbiblical doctrines to achieve the intent to hide the identity of the Anti-Christ. Having accomplished that, their next task was to control the education system upon which these doctrines would be propagated and, over time, would become the mainstream doctrines among the Protestants. We will discuss later how the Jesuits astutely achieved this task over the centuries.

- 11.3. Experience and common sense will tell us that no matter how creative one can be in concocting lies, there will always be gaps in truth that cannot be covered up. In this case, the task is mission impossible since the Jesuits were trying to hoodwink the Word of God. As we examine the various misinterpretations of the Word of God that the Jesuits had fabricated, we will see that many of their deliberate misconceptions of various Bible texts to achieve their deceptive narrative fall short even of a simple common sense and intelligence test. For example, let us review Daniel 9:24 "Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy." The verse clearly states the following:
 - 11.3.1. That 70 prophetic weeks or 490 years were determined or ordained for the Jewish nation. The verse is simple, straightforward, clear and easy to understand, namely a 70 prophetic weeks or 490 years set aside by God for the history of the Jewish nation. Common sense will tell us that the 490-year period is a continuous historical period about the Jewish nation.
 - The Jesuits deliberately misinterpreted the verse to suggest 11.3.2. that Daniel 9:24 is not a continuous 70 weeks or 490 years. They concocted that the last week of the 70th week or the last 7-year period would be some distant future. Firstly, no biblical basis exists for such an interpretation to warrant respect or adherence. Secondly, using common sense and logic, God has been clinically accurate in all the events described in Daniel's 70 weeks' prophesy, such as the year it was decreed to rebuild Jerusalem and the year the building of the 2nd Temple would be completed. Yet, God was vague, and ambiguous regarding the last 70th week. Does it make any sense to anyone? Do you think God is a God of confusion and disorder to give Daniel a prophecy that does not make sense? This is the problem with many of the heretical doctrines, which can be easily exposed by mere common sense, let alone using the filter of the

character and wisdom of God to validate their integrity and credibility.

- 11.3.3. The only rationale for this blatant and depraved misinterpretation of Daniel 9:24 is that it is a Jesuit storyline to be harmonised with the doctrine of Futurism that the Jesuits hope to build their deception upon to hide the identity of the Anti-Christ by lying that the Anti-Christ has not existed yet and will only appear in the world stage in some distant future. We will discuss more of such specific errant misinterpretations by the Jesuits and sold to the Protestants and Evangelicals that had swallowed the lie and deception, hook, line and sinker.
- 11.3.4. See study notes on "The Most Abused Prophecy Daniel's Chapter 9, verses 24 to 27".

12. The Doctrine of Futurism Lays the Foundation for the Heretical Doctrines

12.1.1. Today, unfortunately, all mainstream Protestant and Evangelical churches are generally teaching Ribera's deception with some minor variations. It is unbelievable that in 500 years, the biblical foundations that established Protestantism doctrines and the twin pillars of the Reformation Movement have all been windswept and eroded. Currently, the Lutherans, the Baptists, the Presbyterians, the Methodists, and other Evangelicals are all sitting at the same ecumenical table with the papacy. They have even apologised to the papacy for their founding fathers' misbehaviour and rebellion during the Reformation. They are now back under the cloak of the Mother of Harlots, the Roman Catholic Church. This is a fulfilment of prophecy. Scripture tells us definitively who is this "Mother of Harlots" in Revelation 17:4-6 – "And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, Mystery, Babylon The Great, The Mother Of Harlots And Abominations Of The Earth. And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration." The colour purple and scarlet are the colours done by the papacy's bishops and cardinals respectively. A visit to the Vatican will show the splendour and grandeur of the Vatican that is "decked with gold and precious stones and pearls" and the display of a grand statue of a woman with a cup in her hand stepping the bible. The papacy has no qualms about hiding what the Roman Catholic Church stands for. It has also openly acknowledged the blood of millions of believers she had slaughtered!

God being merciful and not wanting that any should perish, is 12.1.2. making a strong appeal to His people (the Protestants and Evangelicals) at the time of the end to get out of Babylon. This message is being heard today, even to those that have ears, in this study note, Revelation 18:4-5 – "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities." The only way to get out of Babylon, not participate in her sins, and avoid the plagues that God will bring upon the Mystery Babylon conglomerate and its head honcho, the papacy, is to return to the Bible's teachings, know the Truth, do not be deceived and trust the Lord no matter what will happen during the "time of trouble as never was."

13. The Thirty Years War and the Peace of Westphalia

13.1. History tells us that the Reformation Movement caused many European kings and princesses to break away from the political and religious subjugation of the papacy starting in the late 16 Century. These regions and countries were declared Protestant countries, namely Germany, the Netherlands, Denmark, Sweden, and England.

The papacy was a shadow of what it used to be before the Reformation Movement in its political cloud, dominance and dominion over Europe.

- 13.2. The Counter-Reformation Movement, mounted by the Vatican and spearheaded by the Jesuits, was to restore the pre-eminence of the papacy in its political and religious dominion and the destruction of Protestantism. The obliteration of Protestantism in its spiritual domain was more critical since this had direr consequences for the papacy, having been identified as the very anti-Christ by all the Reformers and Protestants. The preceding paragraphs have discussed the Jesuits' modus operand in achieving this objective through distorting and misinterpreting scripture and then selling the lies and deceptions as biblical truth to the Protestant world.
- 13.3. The other course of action in the Counter-Reformation Movement was political and military. The papacy convinced Emperors Charles V and Philip II of Spain to take military action against Protestant growth. Later popes of the Counter-Reformation included Pius V, Gregory XIII, and Sixtus V. Saints Charles Borromeo, Philip Neri, John of the Cross, Teresa of Ávila, Francis de Sales, and Vincent de Paul were among the most influential reforming figures to mount political and military action against the Protestant countries. The ensuing outcome was the Thirty Years' War.
- 13.4. The Thirty Years' War was a European Protestant vs. Catholic war. It is recorded that the battles took place between 1618 and 1648. After signing treaties with Emperor Ferdinand II, Spain and Austria fought on the Catholic side. England, Denmark, and the Dutch Republic helped the Protestants. Among the Thirty Years War series was the Battle of Breitenfeld of 1631, fought in Germany. It was the first significant victory of the Protestants against the Catholics. Sweden intervened in the battle, hence helping win against the Catholics. The primary cause of the Thirty Years' War was the actions of Emperor Ferdinand II in forcing the protestants into Catholicism. It was the bloodiest war in Europe then, and about 8 million people died defending Protestantism or for the continued dominance of the

- papacy. The Peace of Westphalia helped end the war and the creation of modern-day European political boundaries.
- 13.5. Some scholars of international relations credit the treaties in the Peace of Westphalia with providing the foundation of the modern state system and articulating the concept of territorial sovereignty. The Peace of Westphalia recognised the full territorial sovereignty of the member states of the empire. They were empowered to contract treaties with one another and foreign powers, provided the emperor and the kingdom suffered no prejudice. By this and other changes, the princes of the empire became absolute sovereigns in their dominions. The papacy, his Holy Roman Emperor, and the Diet were left with a shadow of their former power.

14. The Major U-Turn in Protestantism

- 14.1. As part of the Counter-Reformation efforts, from the 17th Century onwards, the Jesuits started creating institutions of learning and clandestinely controlled education, firstly all over Europe and then the new world, the US, with their Jesuit education curriculum. Today, there are more than 1,200 Jesuit universities, colleges and schools throughout Europe and the US. The Jesuits also shrewdly penetrated many Protestant and Evangelical seminaries, universities and schools through donations and sponsorships of vast sums of money over the centuries. Using the 'learning against learning' strategy, the Jesuits have successfully ingrained and entrenched their errant doctrines, corrupting Protestants and Evangelical churches, particularly their leadership, with their deceptive and errant interpretations of the Book of Daniel, Thessalonians and Revelation. After more than 400 years, we see the fruits of the Jesuit Order labour. More than 95% of mainstream Protestants and Evangelicals believe the lies and deceptions as Truth, bringing to light Christ's warning, "Take heed that no man deceive you".
- 14.2. Futurism deliberately spins the Book of Daniel, 2 Thessalonians and Revelation into the predominant doctrines we will examine carefully in this study. By using the Word as the filter to present Truth, we will

- expose errors and deceptions masterminded by the Jesuits and propagated, unfortunately, today, by the majority of Protestant and Evangelical leaders without them even realising it.
- 14.3. One of the primary missions of the Jesuits is the destruction of Protestantism. Today, we see their success and the clear evidence of the Jesuits' fruits of labour by the thousands of apostate Protestant and Evangelical churches worldwide, spearheaded by those in the US. Revelation termed these churches as "false prophets" and one of the three unclean spirits playing a significant role during end-time events (Revelation 16:13). One very glaring and tangible evidence is the success of the ecumenical movement initiated by the Jesuits Order, where we see the majority of Protestant denominations and Evangelicals accepting the heretical teachings of the papacy which 500 years ago had millions of lives martyred due to their faith and who disagreed to conform to the papacy's heresies.
- 14.4. Five hundred years after the Reformation, what new Truth could have emerged from the Bible, obliging the present Protestant and Evangelical leaderships to denounce the Truth that was re-established by their founding fathers during the Reformation? The Word of God that the Reformers studied and were willing to pay with their lives, leading them to break away from the apostate mother church, has not changed an ion. Hence, what has brought such a significant reversal of faith and belief systems?
- 14.5. The answer lies in understanding critical eschatological subjects tainted with lies and deceptions brought in by the Jesuits' Order through their 'learning against learning' strategy over the last four centuries. The Jesuits have successfully ingrained a different biblical narrative in the current Protestant and Evangelical leadership from one God has given in His Word and one that all the Reformers have unanimously agreed that the papacy is the very Anti-Christ. This is indeed a sad development, mirroring the corruption that happened during the early church period, and it seems another victory for Satan, but scripture has to be fulfilled. Revelation 18:3 "For all nations have

drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication...". Praise God; the Book of Revelation tells us what and how the end will be!

- 14.6. By concocting the apostate doctrine of futurism, the Jesuits have cleverly:
 - 14.6.1. Remove the papacy as the Anti-Christ because he will only be revealed in the future during the 7-year Great Tribulation period, which is their fabricated and fictitious seven-year fairy tales. Yes, Christ did say that there will be tribulations, but nowhere in the Bible is there any teaching regarding a specific 7-year Great Tribulation. This false 7-year Great Tribulation period is a Jesuit concoction spin from their deliberate misinterpretation of Daniel 7: and 2 Thessalonians 2:4; that the Anti-Christ has not been identified, and therefore the papacy cannot be the Anti-Christ.
 - 14.6.2. For a deeper analysis of this subject, study and analyse the study notes on the deliberate misinterpretation by the Jesuits on Daniel's 70 Weeks' Prophesy entitled "The Most Abused Prophecy"
 - 14.6.3. The Jesuits created the heretical doctrine of the secret rapture to lend more weight that the papacy cannot be the Anti-Christ while leading believers away from Biblical teaching regarding the time of the end. The Jesuits argue that the papacy cannot be the Anti-Christ as he would have been raptured to heaven already. Believers who have studied the Book of Daniel, 2 Thessalonians, and Revelation will immediately know that the papacy is a non-believer and a non-follower of Christ and will be destroyed by the brightness of Christ's coming, let alone be raptured! Based on the Jesuits' deception on the secret rapture, the papacy, therefore, cannot be the Anti-Christ who will break the 7-year covenant (after the rapture) 2 Thessalonians 2:4 "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is

- worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God."
- 14.6.4. Now, do we understand the reason for the unbiblical secret rapture doctrine? Very clever, except that a diligent believer studying the bible with the guidance of the Holy Spirit will know that this secret rapture heresy is not taught in the Word of God and is a mere conjecture forced to fit into a heresy that, unfortunately, is an acceptable doctrine by mainstream Protestant and Evangelical doctrines. It takes lots of imagination, almost zero knowledge of what the Bible teaches regarding the time of the end and little intelligence to believe in the secret rapture doctrine.
- 14.6.5. According to the Jesuits, the Anti-Christ will be someone from the Middle Eastern region and cannot be the papacy, who had always been from a South American or European country. The tactics used here are to get the world to look at the Middle East, particularly Israel and take their eyes where they should be: in Rome!
- 14.6.6. Make time and space for the revival of a Jewish state and the 3rd Temple. Without these physical entities, the doctrine of futurism, which suggests that the Anti-Christ will make a 7-year covenant with the Jewish state and 31/2 years later will break the covenant, calling himself a god in the 3rd Temple, would not sound credible. The Jesuits had succeeded in creating the Second World War with the 33 Degree Freemason political leaders of the US, UK, Germany and Russia they controlled. They brought the political environment conducive to establishing the state of Israel, amongst other objectives following the Second World War.
- 14.6.7. Link with this errant doctrine is their propagation and support of the Jewish rebuilding of the 3rd Temple. The notion of the 3rd Temple gives credence and basis for the errant doctrine that the Anti-Christ will only make his appearance (after the 3rd Temple has been built) during the 7-year Great Tribulation

period who supposedly in their 'fairy tales' after 31/2 years break the covenant and called himself God. 2 Thessalonians 2:4 ""Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God."

14.7. Besides distorting the interpretation of the Word and whitewashing their lies and deceptions to Protestant and Evangelical institutions of learning, the Jesuits created civil organisations like the Freemasons and several secret societies, like the Bilderberg Group, Club of Rome, the Illuminati, Skull & Bones to move their agenda clandestinely thereby controlling the global political, economic, financial, religious and social environment to achieve their objectives. Revelation 19:9 -11 provides the prophecy and biblical basis for what is happening now. Revelation 18:9 – "And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning." and Revelation 18:11 – "And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:" Scripture cannot be wrong and is telling us that at the time of the end, the papacy through the Jesuits controls almost the whole world. To realise the possibility, understand that the papacy before the Reformation had been the sole superpower for more than 1,000 years and, with this power, the ability to amass unprecedented wealth and power. From the papacy's counter-reformation movement, it has a further 800 years to consolidate its wealth and position and, with the immense wealth, the ability to create revolutions, wars and political conditions to achieve its intent and objectives, and even the creation of the State of Israel in 1948.

15. Exposing the Lies

15.1. We are doing an in-depth bible study to prove beyond the shadow of a doubt that the papacy is the Anti-Christ. The Word of God is explicit on this point because God wants us to know this crucial fact, which all the early reformers had unanimously affirmed and is one of the two pillars of the Reformation.

- 15.2. As part of this study, we shall study and analyse the heretical doctrines fabricated by the Jesuits on various eschatological subjects. We will release studies on various eschatological topics that have been twisted, deliberately manipulated, and taught today by most mainstream Protestant and Evangelical churches. The study will be purely and entirely Word-based.
- 15.3. Following this study, we will share the study on Daniel's 70th Weeks Prophesy, which is the Jesuits' cornerstone in building up their pillars of deceptions and lies. Daniel's 70th weeks Prophesy has been twisted and distorted by the Jesuits so that the interpretation can provide the foundation needed to support their other heretical doctrines, namely:
 - 15.3.1. Who is the Anti-Christ?
 - 15.3.2. The End of the World, The 7-years Great Tribulation, The Secret Rapture, The 3rd Temple, The State of Israel in Eschatology, Premillennialism, Dispensationalism and the Pre-Millennial Kingdom
 - 15.3.3. The Immortality of the Soul and Spiritualism
 - 15.3.4. The 7th Day Sabbath, the Mark of God vis-à-vis Sunday Worship and the Mark of the Beast
 - 15.3.5. The study will cover all the above topics to reveal Biblical Truth and expose the lies and deceptions many mainstream Protestants and Evangelicals believe.

16. The Depth of the Deception Crisis Faced by Protestants and Evangelicals

16.1. The Jesuits started introducing deception and lies to Protestant and Evangelical denominations regarding eschatological subjects about 500 years ago to counter the Protestant Reformation Movement. As the battle is for the mind, the weapons used were not swords and guns but the pen to subvert the Word of God and undermine the

learning process. The strategy used was "learning against learning". Using the papacy's powerful political influence and the Vatican's enormous financial resources, the Jesuits created hundreds of institutions of learning, front organisations like the Freemasons, and infiltrated thousands of Protestant educational bodies to sow the seeds of the lies and deception.

- 16.2. As expected, the seed of the lies and deceptions initially did not gain much support as the teachings of the early Reformers were still fresh in the minds of the early Protestants. The adversary patiently and painstakingly continued to spread the seeds of the lies and deceit more intensively and extensively through Christian learning institutions such as seminaries, colleges, universities, and Bible schools. Since the adversary has strong political control and financial powers, they were able to establish their learning institutions throughout Europe and later in the United States to propagate these lies while subtly winning over Christian learning organisations through huge donations of funds and other incentives to teach their version of the Bible (which they know are lies). 500 years later, the lies have become institutionalised as the mainstream doctrine. Today, we see the results and effects of the deception efforts, where more than 95% of Protestants and Evangelicals no longer question the unbiblical interpretations of these errant doctrines and simply accept them as biblical Truth.
- 16.3. The individuals trained in these Christian learning institutions will naturally develop a deep-rooted belief in the deception lies. These individuals had spent several years living and studying the lies and falsehoods as truth in an institution such as a seminary, bible college or religious institute. They developed a deep sense of identity and, naturally, a spiritual and psychological bond with the organisation. These organisations' teachings represent the truth to them, and there is little or almost no room for them to consider another view, even to study the Word of God again. Due to the prolonged indoctrination, their understanding of various Biblical texts is based only on the

version they have been indoctrinated with. The mind is shut to what they have been taught! In layman's terms, they have been brainwashed! These individuals return to their churches as pastors to guide and teach their flocks. Some continue their post-graduate education, which is an enhanced indoctrination process. They may return to their alma mater as Professors of Theology to teach (indoctrinate) the new batches of believers. Some would become Senior Pastors to sustain the Jesuit's lies and deceptions. Everything is done without anyone having the slightest idea of the web of deception that they are all caught in.

- 16.4. The individuals most trapped and understandably most challenging to bring the Truth to, are those involved in preaching the lies as Truth to their flocks. These individuals are ensnared because they would prefer not to listen to the Truth, as it would hurt them spiritually, psychologically, socially, and in some situations, financially. These individuals are the most dangerous as they have the pulpit, so to speak, to spread and continue perpetuating the lies and deceptions unwittingly. Here, we are referring to the pastors, the senior pastors, the professors of divinity and theology and those in positions of influence; they are the most dangerous group to the cause of Christ because they are working to serve Satan's cause.
- 16.5. The Council of Trent in 1563 saw the ex-communication of the churches convinced that the papacy was the Anti-Christ and whose teachings were proven by the early Reformers as not Bible-based. The early Reformers led to the establishment of Protestantism and the various Protestant denominations. The First Vatican Council, or Vatican I, held in 1868, maintained the Council of Trent position and introduced the concept of papal supremacy and infallibility. Then, in 1962, something fundamental happened that changed the providence of Protestantism. Pope John XXIII convoked Vatican II with the primary objective of ecumenical outreach to address the so-called needs of the modern world. Vatican II led to the Ecumenical Movement, which

saw Protestants, Orthodox, and Roman Catholics putting aside their theological differences to unite for Christian unity. Protestant leadership has long been prepared for this coup de grace over 300-400 years of being slowly poisoned with Jesuit-laced heretical doctrines through their learning against-learning strategy. The result is the situation we are seeing and experiencing today, where all the major Protestant denominations are sitting at the same ecumenical table drinking the wine of fornication of Babylon, "Revelation 14:8"... made all nations drink" and the peoples of the earth "have become drunk with the wine of wrath of her fornication". Bible prophesy has to be fulfilled! Given this state of affairs, would any Protestant leader be interested, let alone dare to suggest that the Bible has told us who the Anti-Christ is or that the doctrines of the secret Rapture or the 7-year Great Tribulation are not Bible-based?

16.6. This is a deeply rooted problem. I pray that this study series will help to open minds and that the Holy Spirit will cause Protestants and Evangelicals leadership that read this study notes to think and reflect upon the best course of action to get out of this deception trap. If you are just a layperson as I am, study the notes, search and study the Bible for yourself to ascertain the Biblical Truth on the various eschatological subjects. If you think the church has not been teaching according to the Word of God, you may speak to your pastors regarding the errors. By all means, share the study notes with your pastors. I pray that there will be a revival by Protestants and Evangelicals to the Truth. With God, everything is possible when done for His Glory and Honour!

17. Conclusion.

17.1. We have got to be sure we are being led by the Spirit everywhere we go and not by any man, regardless of what title they have or elevation in the church system that seems praiseworthy. Do not be deceived; there will be many who preach another Jesus and, as Apostle Paul warned, "doctrines of demons" (1 Timothy 4:1). Demons are Satan's

lying spirits who distort the truth, turning it into deception by polluting, twisting, turning and distorting the Word. They work to help achieve Satan's objectives to control the world, deceive the world and lead manking to follow Satan to destruction.

- 17.2. We pray for the Lord's wisdom and discernment in this study and a heart and mind that can unlearn the lies and deceptions we have been fed for decades and centuries.
- 17.3. Establishing Biblical Truth is relatively simple as opposed to addressing truth regarding secular issues because if we follow the principle, "thus says the Lord", we have only ONE sourcebook, the Bible, the Word of God to follow. Therefore, whether we are a pastor, an elder, a deacon, a graduate from bible school or just a layperson, all we have to do is read and study the Word, seek the wisdom and discernment from the Holy Spirit to establish Truth and discover the errors and deceptions. Despite Satan's effort throughout the ages to destroy the Word, God is in control and will, at His appointed time, crush Satan, the papacy and apostate Protestantism.
- 17.4. Let us take heed of Christ's Words "Take heed that no man deceive vou."