

# The Reformation & Revival Letter

## **Gurus And Those Who Submit To Gurus!**

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Gurus are those *who exalt themselves*. Once they are perched upon their lofty tower all are called to bow down before them. They are in fact *self made* Demigods accountable to no one save themselves, or to bands like themselves who are in it for the same purpose “money.”

*Prov. 1:14 Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse...*

*3Jn. 1:9 I wrote unto the church: but Diotrephes, who loveth to have the preeminence among them, receiveth us not.*

The Guru has strategies. After making followers of himself through his charisma. He cuts off and demonizes any who question the origins of his teachings. Believers are warned about this type of leader.

*3Jn. 1:10 Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith, neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and forbiddeth them that would, and casteth them out of the church.*

Any who dares inquire are cast out of the church while the church is told that they were in rebellion. The church is also told to shun all such people.

*3Jn. 1:11 Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God.*

The Apostle John warns about Gurus like these that have evil intentions (wolves) and do not submit to Scripture as the final authority but view their own authority as leaders (a covering) of the church as equal with the Word of God.

*2Tim. 3:13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.*

The followers of Gurus *are of the same heart*, deceived, wishing someday that they too will eat grapes from their follower's hands. They think that in serving the Guru they will be evaluated and secure themselves a lofty height.

*Ps 75:6 For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south.*

The promotion they seek can only come from the head of the church Jesus Christ!

*Eph 4:14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive*

They have been carried away by a false teaching on spiritual authority.

***Deut. 13:3 Thou shalt not hearken (listen) unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams (or teacher of false doctrines): for the LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.***

Those that follow Gurus are those who seek self-exaltation and employ the same to try to exalt their own ministries. *God deliver them their hearts are not right with you..*

***Lk. 6:39 ...Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch?***

They are living by example, a bad one.

***Matt. 23:15b (Jesus speaking) ...for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte (convert), and when he is made (made to think like you), ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.***

Now, those who are followers are told by these Gurus, that in their submitting unto them, that they are exercising spiritual humility, however, both the Gurus and those that follow them are both self-exalted. They are in rebellion together.

They are both submitting to man alone and *not to God*.

***Gal. 1:10 For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.***

The ones who are truly in humility are ones who are submit to the truth of God's Word and the same Bible Jesus, have their respect for God as first place and honor for those who are respecting God as leaders. Because of this disorder *the realm of authority* is upside down, reversed and is a spiritually inverted pyramid. Everything is done according to man and for his glory. The reverse is true in Christianity. In the example of the pyramid at the top is the Lord Jesus Christ...He is the Head of the church. All are to honor Him. True shepherd overseers who function in His church honor the Lord at His Word first place and then have proper respect of God's other leadership and the Lord's spiritual government, and fully distinguish honoring what the Bible's prescribes and orders! The disorder of the Guru Covering teaching has set up false authority in the church and has caused much spiritual abuse of the members of Christ's church. These are false governments of men should be abandoned by all members and those leaders which do such things will be punished by the Living Christ for their abuse of His church.

***Rev. 2:15 So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.***

*Nicolaitan* means conqueror over laymen. Jesus taught *the priesthood of all believers*. Spiritual abuse in the church exploits and destroys.

## **Servant Leadership Is Safe Leadership**

Jesus Christ taught that the spiritual leader must be a servant leadership and not a CEO or Guru over His sheep. True shepherds are not inflated with fulfilling their own egos, but centered upon a spiritual service to each member of His church.

*Matt. 20:25-28 But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.*

*Matt. 23:11 But he that is greatest (chief) among you shall be your servant.  
Mk. 10:42-44 But Jesus called them to him, and saith unto them, Ye know that they which are accounted to rule over the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and their great ones exercise authority upon them. But so shall it not be among you: but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister: And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all.*

John goes on to say in the N.T. that he recommends Demetrius a true shepherd to the Lord's flock. Finding the true shepherd means going to a place of safety from the sheep.

*3Jn 1:12 Demetrius hath good report of all men (the believers), and of the truth itself(a report of standing upon the Lord's word): yea, and we also bear record; and ye know that our record is true.*

Those who have had spiritual abuse in the past need a place where the Lord can minister to you and bring you healing, trust in God, and trust in spiritual leadership again.

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*Heb 5:14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.*

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