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MY REBUTTAL TO TWO BROTHERS WHO LOVE EVERYBODY:

“Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in there at: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.” Matt. 7:13-14

“Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity. Matt. 7:21-23

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Why I believe the majority of people in our Baptist Churches and from every walk of life, from every church is going to Hell? The Church was instituted for the children of God and not the world. It grieves me to say that the unsaved world now consumes our churches. One simple statement sums up the whole matter: The average church goers think they're ABOVE SIN, we think we're above sin, we don't think we are capable of sin any longer. We've arrived! Pray and accept Christ as Saviour and that's it! "Easy-believism," no conviction of sin, sorrow, "*but the sorrow of the world worketh death.*" 2 Cor. 7:10b not a sorrow unto repentance, "*For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of.*" 2 Cor. 7:10a, that's the attitude missing from churches, "I'm better than my neighbor" syndrome. God hates sin and we should hate sin but we don't! We love our sin too much. We're so afraid to expose error, wrongdoing for fear of offending, so we've come up with the phrase "I don't hate anyone." That sounds so much better! We're two-faced, cock-eyed, weak-kneed, spineless humans with jellyfish as backbones. We're the way we are because we don't want to give up our sin and admit that we are what God says we are in His Word. We don't want to admit that we are as sinful as we are. And by being so, we blindly are refusing God's remedy for our own sin! The explanation a head will be suddenly clear when the light of God's Word is laid to bear on WHAT SIN IS? That's the nut shelled! Not the kind of "nuts" we have trying to preach, "Shell" the Word of God today. Most church congregants don't even know what sin is? Their hearts have deceived them! The depth to which sin has taken and befallen mankind is unimaginable. I'm a Baptist, from the top of my

head to the soles of my feet I'm BAPTIST and I know Baptist people have been accused of giving people a license to sin. That is not so! That's a lie! We Baptist people give souls the real biblical meaning of sin; we define sin as God sees sin an intended sin to be defined. We let lost people know what sin is and how sin has affected them and especially what to do about sin. We get people lost first, show them how lost they are because of sin. Sin is sin! The Sinfulness of Sin!

It is at this point, at this juncture that defines whether a man goes to Heaven or goes to Hell. If you don't know what sin is how can you turn from it? How can you be saved if you don't realize you're lost? I submit that the Devil has slipped into the church a long time ago and spread a false interpretation of what sin really is. And since its inception men have swallowed the lie and little by little have desecrated sins true meaning. Proof of this fact is there is little or no preaching on sin anymore from our church pulpits. The word repentance is a foreign term, conviction never comes up in conversation and one can only be saved when God is passing his way! You think you can come to God anytime you want and that isn't so. If God does not come to you first you've missed the greatest opportunity in life to be saved. If God is passing your way you'd better surrender then, if not, you may not have another chance to get saved. You see the Devil has blinded the eyes of men that they may believe a lie. To NOT know one is lost because of sin is to "miss" Heaven altogether! The average pastor and church goers think they're above sin. Death entered my family.

When a teenager, I witness a young man commit suicide right in front of me, it was my twenty-one year old brother and at his funeral I ask God why? For two straight weeks I would go to his grave every day stand there crying asking God why? God has since shown me why over and over again right out of the Bible but to my dismay and horror the church is filled with people who won't believe God. The preacher today so miserable misrepresents sin that multitudes will be in Hell. How horrible sin is! What destruction sin has brought upon humankind, all the misery and heartache in this world. The tragedy, death and evil present all because of sin! Cemeteries, graveyards, funeral homes, old age rest homes and the need for police protection including the military all because of sin! The blackness of sin is being swept under the rugs in our churches. Only a fool will look lightly upon Sin! Sin is lost in our churches, glossed over from our pulpits and condoned in the life of the church. Fornication, adultery and homosexual acceptance and toleration are everywhere present. We've made evil good and good evil! And the preachers have exchanged mammon for "Thus saith the Lord." For this, it is my contention that the church thinks it's above sin and so do the majority of its members. It can't be! It is impossible! And so I will show you what the Bibles says SIN is and what it is not:

WHAT IS SIN?

Sin is the core of our being, it is our heart, our flesh and it is the center where our minds flourish. It's the real me, in my case it's Del Wray. It's the person you can't see. You can't see Del Wray you only see the body in which Del Wray dwells. The real Del Wray you can't see is SIN! From the top of my head to the soles of my feet I'm sinful! That's the Bible's description of the heart! We all were born in sin; we all inherited the sinful nature. SIN is innate in every one of us, it is inborn, sin is our nature and we are natural sinners, as natural as eating and sleeping! Sin is an instinctive reaction, "instinct" in each of us. Sin is a very real part of us that can't be washed off,

you can't remove sin, it's permanently attached to us because it is our souls it is us and it is our hearts! For man there is no way sin can be gotten rid of! My whole being has been ruined by sin. God is at war with the flesh! Man cannot be above sin because He is sin. That "I" in us is sin! The middle letter in the word sin is "I." Let me show you how sin affects the body from the Bible:

HOW HAS SIN AFFECTED OUR BODIES?

The tongue is set on fire from Hell, the feet are swift to shed blood, the eyes are full of adultery, ears are dull of hearing and the mouth is full of cursing and bitterness. Our thoughts are not His thoughts, our ways are evil and the heart is desperately wicked need I go on. Look how else our body has been decimated: Eye Sight! Do you realize you only have 20/20 vision and you can only see a fraction of the sight that God intended you to be able to see with. In Heaven you will have 100/100 and be able to see the way God intended. I've heard it that we only use about 10% of our sight to see with through the eye gate. Wait to you get to Heaven. Sin has affected your eye sight! How about hearing?

Hearing! Man is dull of hearing; the same is true of your audible hearing we only use about 10% of that too. Sin has affected your hearing also! The same with the brain!

Brain, we only use about 10% of that, my wife says I only use about 1% of mine. What does she know she's a woman? Our entire being has been ruined because of sin because of the fall! It can't be trusted! Did you hear me? MAN CAN'T BE TRUSTED! If you don't know that get back in your Bible! If you don't believe it you better get a good dose of Bible salvation! That's why I believe only about 2% of the people in our churches are saved.

Paul said, "*For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing:*" Rom. 7:18

Job after being interrogated by God all of his life, through 42 Chapters said in verse 2,

"Wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes." Job 42:6

That's the ticket; God recognizes that type of attitude! "The way up is the way down!" "He that is first shall be last."

"Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time." 1 Peter 5:6,

I'm for being a bag of fish worms when it comes to a Holy God! I'm not stupid, puny me standing up to Jesus, not me! When I got saved I fell flat on my face, then got to my knees and crawled right up to Calvary and fell to my face again before His Majesty and cried out, "*God be merciful to me a sinner.*" God "forgive me." With God's help it will be my continual attitude!!!

WHAT SIN IS NOT?

SIN is far more than what one does, it is what we are! You could be the very best person who has ever lived and still die and go to Hell, without Jesus Christ! Sin is much more than what we do!

What we do is the result of having a sinful nature! It's what we are! You've got to get that straight! You hear me! You must know that! Smoking, drinking, cursing, murder, rape etc. is not the sin the Bible is describing, these things are the aftermath or results of having a sinful nature. I remember hearing this preacher tell his people that if they could obey the Ten Commandments perfectly they would go to Heaven! By what he said, I had to confront him after the service in front of all his people. You didn't! Yes I did! Does that offend you? Well don't you do it! I'll do it, that's my job! A Bob Jones graduate too! The poison of asp on his lips! No one can completely obey the law; the law was given to show our sin and our need of Jesus Christ. This block head was destroying souls. Jesus used the word "leprosy" for sin, He called sin a plague, it is incurable; it is hereditary; it's in all of us, it'll kill you, you can't get rid of it, it'll make you vomit! That sorry preacher ran that church down to less than fifty people and then quit the ministry. You know how I know; God used me to start that assembly some twenty years before. Let me tell you something when a preacher preaches to the flesh he robs souls. I was told by one of the members, and I heard about it when it happened, that a man had committed suicide in one of the church bathrooms while this sorry scum of a pastor was counseling his wife and would not counsel him. The church now is running about twenty-five people and using these false bibles. Don't kid me! Don't try and tell me, I don't know what I'm talking about, I've been around too long, too old! I didn't come in on the cabbage wagon. We all have a problem with sin! Sin is that nature in you that produces outward sin.

My very being from core to circumference is sin, sinful. The bad thought's one has comes from having a sinful nature. Our minds have been corrupted because of this nature. The bad dreams one has when he sleeps are caused by the sinful heart. Yes, we sin even in our sleep. I can't get up in the morning not having sinned against a holy God. Its natural I can't help it. Sin is with me everywhere I go. Paul said it's like going around with a dead man strapped to us.

"For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." James 2:10

"Therefore to him that knoweth to do good and doeth it not, to him it is sin." James 4:17

There is sin committed and there are sins of omission, take your pick!

"Behold, thou hast made my days as an handbreadth; and mine age is as nothing before thee: verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity." Psalms 39:5

One of the great preachers in the past, J. Frank Norris I believe put it this way: You may have two garbage cans; one may be old and the other may be brand new. One may be old and rusty, smelling like rotten eggs containing all sorts of filthy garbage with all kinds of worms and maggots the other may be new containing your garbage and trash but they both are garbage cans. Isn't that true? Because of sin, because of what sin has done to us, we are all like those two garbage cans, but we are bodies filled with the garbage of sin. God knows! God understands! That sin, that garbage will damn a soul to hellfire, Like that analogy? O' you don't do you? Go suck your thumb till you front teeth bulge out, cry baby! How about this one: "It's hard to believe that someone would die in the place of a good man, but Christ went the extra mile and "died for

the ungodly." Romans 5:6-10, And that is exactly the point of God's love. That sin and ungodliness were so repulsive to God. That He would rather die than let us keep living like that. That Hell was so horrible that He rather die than let us go there." Are we friends yet? Here's what we can do!

YOU SAY PREACHER IF THIS IS SO WHAT MUST WE DO?

Cry out to God, make sure you are saved, saturate your mind in God's Word, and memorize all of God's Word you can. Quote it in your mind, sing it with your lips and meditate on it continually day and night. Every opportunity you have learn as much as you are able of the Bible. Witness your faith to as many as possible! Absorb as many verses to your conscience as you can, the Holy Spirit will take them from your sub-conscience bringing them to your attention when needed. Keep your minds clean, think good thoughts and search out everything by the Word of God. I do that right now, still today, and the better for it my life has been. You'll be surprised God will give you victory over this old flesh! And remember all men are fallible and sinful even the best preachers, the most benevolent people, the sweetest ladies and in particular a preacher's wife! Keep your life in check with the Book! Pray! Submit to the Spirit of God continually! Never lose God's gift of being "conviction" conscious! The Christian's life is an even balanced. Don't forget we're in a "war," guard your mind and always think good thoughts. You can do it and it works, try it! Now I better get back to the reason for my penning this article.

REBUTTAL TO COMMENTS MADE BY TWO BROTHERS:

Now back to my two brothers in Christ who need to be obedient to God when it comes to God's hatred for those He has "given up," the homosexuals. Not to hate the sodomite is sin against God! In both these men's posts there is a sign of leaven, I like to use the word "delusion" is present. God willingly deludes whom He pleases to carry out His program in these last days. Both you men should be ashamed of yourselves and both should re-examine what you've posted! Mr. Derrick Buckingham especially! There's not a speck of good in any one of us! And if you think there is you're a blank! The only one good in this poor old preacher is Jesus, I'm rotten as a box of six month old apples, I was going to say, forgive me, rotten as hell. Men think too highly of themselves. Because we've given our very lives to His service we think that merits some favor with God. It Don't! That's our duty! We ought to be thanking God for all the people that come out and listen to us! Big shots, we need to learn the lesson of the pig pen! We need humility! We must have pure motives in doing what we do. Because all men are nullified, putrefied! We got some kind of crazy idea God's going to accept us and our service. No He won't! The only one God will accept is Jesus Christ and His service in you! Ditto!

Both of your post comes right out and calls God a liar. I'm afraid you both are blind. To say God is not capable of hate is a lie! That's not Bible! You claim to be born again don't you? Does God live in you? Isn't Jesus Christ the One who is supposed to rule in the believer's life? Of course! And you're trying to tell me Jesus Christ is not capable of hate! Again that's a lie! He hates and what Christ hates you should hate! He commands it! If He dwells in your bosom, He will cause His child to hate what He hates. Did you not state "I haven't stated that I hate anyone because I don't," in other words you love everybody. The queer too! You don't hate anyone? What about

the Sodomites? That's your very words. That's what you are saying. I'm always leery of those who tell me they love everybody! Wait until someone comes along, offends them, and says something that upsets them. Watch how red they get, they blow up like a balloon. Why don't you try sticking a pin in them, watch them explode. Something is out of balance, there's a problem in the belfry, and it's not delusion is it? I pray not! I'm glad my buddies in the military weren't "wishy-washy." They knew what they had to do and went ahead and did it. Preachers know what to do but won't do it! Stick that in your pipe and smoke it! O' you don't like that do you, take it up with God when you see Him! Don't bother me I still believe in self defense!

WE CAN'T LIVE ABOVE SIN BECAUSE WE ARE SIN!

Every fiber of my being is sinful! To those who teach you can eradicate the old nature, adopt you a pig, clean him up, get him smelling good and then turn him loose outside and watch where he goes! That's the sinless perfection crowd! Wallowing in their heresy! Don't like that do you go join them! Every church in the land outside of the Baptist Church teaches "sinless perfection," they teach you can live without sinning. It is clear that God don't want man to sin but He, if anybody knows our hearts better than anyone else, knows our makeup and He understands our frame and weaknesses. He knew by leaving us here once we were saved that we would have to contend with this old nature the rest of our natural lives. So if any man refuses to teach or preach the sinfulness of sin and turns around and teaches the "eradication" of the old nature, he teaches a lie and heresy! Most likely he's not saved! It is this one doctrine that has damned more souls and polluted the minds of more church congregations than any other. It has divided the Church of Christ, dishonored our Saviour and reeked more havoc in the lives of saved people. I see it every day, everywhere I go. Pentecostalism, Holiness, the cults, denominationalists! The only way we'll get rid of sin is revealed by the Apostle Paul:

*"O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from the body of this death?
I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God;
but with the flesh the law of sin." Rom. 7: 24-24*

Job tells us in the future we shall see God, in our flesh, as our bodies will be redeemed.

*"And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my **flesh** shall I see God:" Job 19:26*

*"And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, **the redemption of our body.**" Rom. 8:23*

One preacher said that 98 % of man's sin comes from his heart or flesh and only 2% comes from the devil's temptation. Sounds right to me! The "flesh lusteth against the spirit and the spirit against the flesh." They two are at war and always will be as long as we are in these sinful bodies. Don't let anyone kid you! Nobody else can give you a clean heart but God.

NOBODY ELSE CAN GIVE YOU A CLEAN HEART BUT GOD.

There's one thing we need above everything else; it's something we don't talk about these days. We need a mighty avalanche of conviction of sin. We're living in an unprecedented day, when evil is no longer evil. We've changed the terminology, iniquity is now infirmity; wickedness is now weakness; devilry is now deficiency.

A Roman Catholic priest startled me and a group of us not very long ago by saying that for twenty-five years he had been sitting in the confessional, listening to the confessions of men and women. He said he heard of murders, rapes, adultery, and fornication. He met men and women who have broken every law of God and many with repetition. But never in twenty five years had anyone ever confessed to be covetous. Covetousness! We wrap it up and call it ambition. We may call it business or something, but right down in the middle of those things is a rotten word called "covetousness." Paul called it idolatry! David had one of the most blessed experiences in the world, and the blessedness was that he was **miserable about his sin**. Are we sorry for grieving the heart of God, for denying God the right to own our personality, to own our mind... to own our thoughts, to own our emotions? If not, we're robbing God.

Jesus did not come into the world to make bad men good. He came into the world to make dead men live! I'm concerned in my spirit that the reason the world goes to hellfire right now is because we've, the church have lost real Holy Ghost fire. I'm sick and tired of only reading about church history; let's make some history by the grace of God! Someone asked me, "Do you pray for the dead?" I said, "No, I preach to them!" I think every pew in every church is death row. The church is a death chamber. Think about that! They're dead! They sing about God; they talk about God, but they're dead! They have no living relationship with God. Dead because of SIN! What do you think of sin now?

CHRIST IS GOD'S REMEDY! THE ONLY SINLESS ONE!

It is Christ who lives His sinless life "in," we must get that! "In you, fully knowing without Him, we can't. He used the words "without Me you can do nothing."

*"For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, **we shall be saved by his life.**" Rom. 5:10*

WE SHALL BE SAVED BY HIS LIFE! It is His life present in you!

*"Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, **how that Jesus Christ is in you**, except ye be reprobate? 2 Cor. 13:5*

*"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but **Christ liveth in me**: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." Gal. 2:20*

*"So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the **Spirit of God dwell in you**. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is*

*none of his. And if **Christ be in you**, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.” Rom. 8: 8-10*

GOD WILL LET YOU KNOW YOU ARE HIS CHILD!

“The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:” Rom. 8:16

Are the majority of church members going to hell?