

Names of Blasphemy in the Church

Scripture reading: Revelation 17:3-5

The beast in Revelation 17 was "*full of names of blasphemy.*" How could a church be full of blasphemy? A church is a place where people go to worship, not to blaspheme. However, let us look into some of the names of blasphemy, some of the names that the churches of today carry. I will show you why you should not point any fingers at any specific church, because whatever one church is, all the other churches are the same thing, to a lesser or a greater degree.

"Blasphemy" is described by Webster's Dictionary as "to speak impiously, or irreverently of God or sacred things in general, to speak evil of, to utter impious words, to talk profanely, also to utter abusive words." The Oxford Dictionary comes even closer to home when it tells us that the meaning is "to make use of religious names." For instance, if I should say that I am God, or that I am Christ, I am sure you would agree that that is blasphemous. Yet, if I use other words to say that I am God, or I am Christ, then you probably would not recognize it as blasphemous. If I should take the position of God in the church or in the things of God, and usurp God, then that would be blasphemous and antichrist-like.

My position in the body of Christ is not to decry or to debase the people of God or the ministry, but it is to correct, and this I am doing even as God corrects me. So I am bringing to you what the Lord has shown me. There was a time when I put the word "Reverend" before my name. I rightly did so, according to the church. Then I discovered through the revelation of God that it was an affront to God. I am hoping that many will read and understand and change.

Psalm 111:9, "He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: holy and reverend is HIS name." To put "REVEREND" before our name is blasphemous to God, because we are using the name of God. We are giving ourselves a title as the name of God. The reverence that is due to God is belittled by our using this as a title before our names. This is one of the titles that has come out of the Roman church and has been adopted by the other churches, which I call the daughters of Rome.

Let us go into this, for someone might think that using the title of Reverend was done through an error or through ignorance. What I am trying to say is that this was done by people who knew the Hebrew and the Greek. The Hebrew word that is translated in Psalm 111:9 as "reverend" is the word Yare. Yare is a part of the noun Yahweh and Yahweh (YHWH) is the name of God. To put this before the name duCille would be to call me Yahweh duCille, God duCille, a name reserved for God. Yahweh means awesome, fearful. I would be Awesome duCille, Fearful duCille. If I use this title and I do not know better, then God would probably forgive me. When I know better, I am going to stop using it. If I know Hebrew and Greek and understand what this really means and take it upon myself to call myself Jehovah God, then it is a very peculiar state of mind to consider that a son of God, a minister, a servant of the Lord, would want to put himself or herself in.

The next name of blasphemy to deal with is the title His Holiness, or Holy Father. Leviticus 19:2, "Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy: for I the LORD your God am holy." 1 Samuel 2:2, "There is none holy as the Lord: for there is none beside thee: neither is there any rock like our God." It is God's will that His people should be holy. Calling yourself holy has a different connotation. We cannot call a man holy as a name or a title, because "there is none holy as the Lord."

Ephesians 1:4, "According as HE HATH CHOSEN US IN HIM before the foundation of the world, THAT WE SHOULD BE HOLY and without blame before him IN LOVE." Ephesians 5:27, "That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish." The description of what holy means is to be without spot, without blemish, without wrinkle, as God wants the church to be perfected. Therefore, if we call a man holy, it means that this man has attained full sonship and is like Jesus Christ.

This blasphemy of calling a man Holy Father originated in Rome. Vicarius filei dei means vicar of the son of God, or vice-Christ. The Son of God is Christ. Vicar of means vice-Christ. This vice-Christ then would be very appropriate if you are Christ and if Christ Jesus is not here physically. This is what the name is saying. Holy Father, being applied to the pope of Rome, is specifically given because the Catholics feel that he is in the place of Christ, and he is Christ on earth when Jesus Christ is absent physically.

I am sure no Christian wants to be identified with this type of blasphemy. Therefore, we must stop using this name. People blame those who bring certain knowledge to them as being the perpetrators of the knowledge. I am not a perpetrator. The Latin name is given to all the popes. When the Latin numerals in Vicarius Filei Dei are added together they equal 666. I did not make it, I did not discover it, I am only passing on to you a piece of knowledge.

In Matthew 23:5-8, the Lord speaks of the spirit of the Pharisees. Here is the context. "But all their works they do for to be seen of men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments, And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues, And greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi. But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren." These scriptures talk about calling someone "Master." There are those who believe in discipling and discipleship. If one is a disciple, then the other is the Master. Jesus Christ is speaking against calling men "Rabbi" or "Master."

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