PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT – {Satan's 'weapon of choice'?}

As human beings we are constantly having our perceptions being influenced, often overtly, but more often, covertly, by a wide range of PERCEPTION MANAGERS such as advertisers, government agencies, news media, etc. Undoubtedly, most perception management has the intention of providing real benefit. However, as we all would have experienced, sometimes there's an element of deception involved.

Undoubtedly, the greatest deceiver, employing PM has always been and still is, Satan.

"THE THIEF COMES TO STEAL, KILL AND DESTROY, BUT I HAVE COME THAT YOU MAY HAVE ABUNDANT LIFE!" Let me try to explain: God created us to be completely dependent upon Him so that we could have eternal, 'abundant life' in His 'image and likeness' of unconditional love. However, in Adam and Eve, Satan was able to alter their perception of God-centred dependence to self-centred independence! – The result of this original sin, was the removal of God, the Holy Spirit from our heart (spirit).

I'm sure you are well aware of the continuous attempts by God to get mankind 'back on track'. - Then came Jesus!

His crucifixion and resurrection made possible two things: <u>Firstly</u>, **redemption** back to God's family forever.[GOSPEL PART 1] "For God so greatly loved and dearly prized the world that He [even] gave up His only begotten (unique) Son, so that whoever believes in (trusts in, clings to, relies on) Him shall not perish (come to destruction, be lost) but have eternal (everlasting) life." {John 3:16 Amp} – "I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, he who believes in Me [who adheres to, trusts in, relies on, and has faith in Me] has (now possesses) eternal life. {John 6:47 Amp} So, the Holy Spirit once again takes up residence in the heart of believers and becomes the manager of our perceptions always pointing us to Jesus.

- Our position is secured - Satan has lost!

Secondly, **progressive restoration** of God's 'image and likeness' of unconditional love even in this fallen world – NOW! [GOSPEL PART 2] -This involves the removal of sin-damage (both recognised and unrecognised), from the mind, will and emotions of the soul. -That is the progressive elimination of our sinful **condition**. Every one of these 'spots and wrinkles' provides a 'landing pad' for the enemy from which he can covertly manage our perceptions! "Search me O God and know my heart; Try me and know my anxieties; And see if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." {Psalm 139:23,24 NKJB} "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord. {Luke 4:18 NKJB}

'Fast forward' to Revelation 2 & 3 – This clearly demonstrates that the first century church has already begun succumbing to Satan's ability to interfere with the gospel message of redemption and progressive restoration.

'Fast forward' again to the time of Martin Luther (early 1500's) – Satan had so managed the Christian church's perception of the Gospel (parts 1 & 2) that it bore little resemblance to the truth – to put it mildly! Through Martin Luther, The Holy Spirit reversed Satan's ability to distort the Gospel message of redemption through faith in Jesus, etc. **(Gospel part 1).** – **REFORMATION 1!**

'Fast forward' to the year 2020 AD. - Satan has lost significant influence with respect to the Gospel of redemption. However, he still manages to distort our perception of the gospel of progressive restoration to God's 'image and likeness' of unconditional love. **(Gospel part 2).** – SATAN WORKS HARD ON THIS ONE BECAUSE WHEN THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH BEGINS TO GET THE RIGHT PERCEPTION OF THIS PART OF THE GOSPEL MESSAGE AND ACTIVATES IT THROUGH INNER HEALING PERSONAL PRAYER MINISTRY, LAST DAYS REVIVAL WILL BEGIN AND AUSTRALIA WILL BE 'ON TRACK' TO BECOME THE GREAT SOUTH LAND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT! – "Let us rejoice and shout for joy [exulting and triumphant]! Let us rejoice and ascribe to Him glory and honour, for the marriage of the Lamb [at last] has come and <u>His</u> <u>bride has prepared herself</u>." {Revelation 19:7 Amp) "To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My father on His throne. **He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."** {Revelation 3:21,22 NKJV} "That He might present to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that **she should be holy and without blemish.** {Ephesians 5:27} –

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