

DISCERNING BETWEEN THE TEACHINGS COMING FROM PEOPLE WHO PRETEND TO BE INSPIRED BY GOD

- a few ideas on the subject for the brothers and friends believing in

the New Revelation or The New Word of God

through Jakob Lorber and Gottfried Mayerhofer

"Examine everything and keep that which is good." (1 Thess. 5,21)

"The Antichrist will arise when certain smart and lazy people, seeing how My teaching keeps gaining more and more followers and how well My disciples are doing, adopt the teaching too." (GGJ VI 179:2)

"A true prophet will never be self-seeking, and far from all conceit." (GGJ III 204, 12)

"Be assured that whoever seeks and wants to achieve anything else except only that, in his heart, he loves Me, the only Lord, God and Father, above everything, and his neighbor sevenfold more than himself - he will either come out empty (i.e. he will spiritually neither see nor hear anything), or I will open up the spirit-world to him, so that such a foolish seeker then (for his learning through experience) becomes stupefied through the spirits and imprisoned and grounded in countless falsehoods. (2 Heavenly Gifts, Jakob Lorber. p. 180, 7)

"A very harmful human being is he who prophesies out of his own might and assumes a divine judgship."(Earth and Moon, chap. 71))

"Therefore, let the false prophets never receive might or outer reputation. For once they have reached that, it soon will look extremely dark again among the people, and you will have a hard battle to fight against them." (53. False and true prophets - GGJ - IX 133 - X18)

Considering the New Revelation through Jakob Lorber and Gottfried Mayerhofer as a referential for the perspective and quality of godly teaching in the most accurate possible expression, we can easily make some observations that could help us differentiate between true and false teachings that are said to be coming from God. The texts quoted as examples with **red fonts**, pertain to **Bertha Dudde**, but many other examples can be given, coming from authors (mostly contemporary) who also pretended to be “scribes” or “servants” of God.

SOME FLAWS THAT COULD INDICATE FALSE TEACHINGS

1. INTELLECTUAL IMPERFECTIONS OR VAGUENESS IN THE TEXTS - such that cannot be encountered in the NR

1a. Systematic repetition of words, expressions or even whole phrases in the same paragraph or near ones. (“Believe and do not doubt...”, “Believe it”; “You should never think that My creative Spirit is not versatile enough to produce this. You should never think that you could ever find the same life conditions on other globes...”) This procedure is a frequent attribute of oratorical speech, but not of Lord’s speech, as we know it from the NR.

1b. No perfect articulation and completion of phrases (as we can observe in the NR) in the teachings supposedly given by the Lord. Instead, the ideas remain imprecise and phrases appear unclear, unfinished, vague. (“And so, people are led into false expectations and, as a result, are indifferent toward their soul, which is a great danger to the soul in that that it could experience the end unprepared, to become lost again for a very long time.”)

1c. Redundant or contradictory statements - sometimes, even in the same paragraph or in the same phrase (“It is definitely wrong to think that the soul of a departed will be in an eternal sleep until the coming day of judgment.”)

1d. Derisory affirmation/ platitudes (“spiritual death is far worse than physical death” ; “Each must certainly expect his physical death.”; “One thing is certain that the plans of My opponent do not agree with Mine, nor does he strive for the same goal, to help the fallen.”; “The opinions and ideas of people will be many and varied.”)

1e. Errors of logical expression in the phrase (“The will to live is so strong in him, that he will do everything to protect it and to lengthen it” - in fact, this is about protecting and lengthen life, and not “the will to live” as it appear as logically in the phrase)

1f. **Errors of narration** – for example, although the person who narrates is supposed to be the Lord, “He” speaks inside the same message of “Himself” at the first, but also at the third person, or even uses “we” instead of “I”. (“**You must remember that I have overcome death. JC wants to awaken you and give you eternal, indestructible life [...] Remember HIM in your fearful hours.**”)

1g. Obvious over-generalizations

1g1. **Accusatory affirmations towards the readers of the message, no matter of their particular situation** (“What is certain for you, is that you are busy and work only for this short life on earth.”; “You lack any clear insight of My Salvation Plan which will surely be fulfilled when the time comes.”)

1g2. **Idealization of human capacities and performances** (“each person who is sincere and always does what is right”, “God’s Wisdom and Love is yours until the last hour on this earth”)

1h. Obvious lack of realism

1h1. **Means of validation our beliefs is simply stated to be the meditation on them** (“If you think that you can come in contact with the inhabitants of other worlds, then you have the proof that those worlds are inhabited.”)

1h2. **No human is said to be worthy enough to try saving another one’s life in case of a catastrophe** – fact clearly invalidated in countless cases of great disasters (“No one will concern himself about the safety of anyone else; his only intent being to save his own life.”)

1h3. **Affirmation of a general lack of belief in God - at earthly scale - in 1961, which condemns all mankind - while this fact was never a reality since then** (“Since there is no longer a belief in God, in the continuation of life after death and in the responsibility on the part of man, that low spiritual level has occurred, demanding an end, a dissolution of the earthly creations. For, under such conditions, the existence of man on earth has become useless!” (B.D. 7865 - 1961)

2. USE OF UNCLEAR CONCEPTS

Descriptions or assertions which use concepts that remain unclear, unexplained (“I will continually enlighten you concerning error, for this can drag the soul down.”; “My opponent is subtle.”)

3. INTRODUCTION OF NEW CONCEPTS SUBSTITUTING THOSE USED IN THE NR

Example: “Light Beings” or “servants of Light” or “Light bearers” or “Light carriers” instead of angels and spirits

4. **LACK OF CONTINUITY BETWEEN SEPARATE MESSAGE** – as in all the NR works – where we see true books, with chapters and with an impeccable evolution of the presentation/ narration

5. **LACK OF REVELATIONS** which really unveil great mysteries of the natural and spiritual world – as in all the NR works

5a. **No explanations of the spiritual ground behind natural phenomena** – as can be encountered in the NR and, especially, in “Earth and Moon”, “Natural and Spiritual Sun”, “Saturn”, “The Fly”, “Secrets of Creation”, “Secrets of life”)

5b. **No explanations of the Scriptures** as can be encountered in the NR and, especially in “GGJ”, “The Household of God”, “The Childhood of Jesus”, “3 Days in Temple” “Natural and Spiritual Sun”, “Lord’s Sermons”, “Interpretation of the Scriptures”, “Secrets of life”, “From Hell to Heaven”)

5c. **No scientific and technological prediction and no depictions of the material and spiritual cosmic creation** – as in “GGJ”, “Earth and Moon”, “Natural and Spiritual Sun”, “Saturn”, “Secrets of Creation”, “Secrets of life”

6. WRONG PREDICTIONS/ PROPHECIES

6.1 **Prediction of the inaccessibility of other planets for men – in 1955** (“ (“You fail to acknowledge this One, or you would not attempt that which the inhabitants of this earth are not entitled to, by making other planets the goal of your explorations, which are and will remain, totally inaccessible to you.” (B. DUDDE 6323 - **1955**))

6.2 **Prediction of people’s fatal impossibility to change**, while countless bore testimony of changed hearts and changed lives in the last decades (“Men on earth will no longer change because they are devoted to the world with body and soul, and also to the one who is the master of this world.” (B. DUDDE 6417 - **1955**)) and **prediction of end time during their life on earth – in 1955** (“Their stay on the earth becomes completely

meaningless and so, it must be terminated. Men have become prematurely ready for destruction, for the day of the end has been decreed since eternity and it will take place although this spiritually deficient condition had been reached long before. (B. DUDDE 6417 - **1955**)

6.3 Prediction of a star approaching the earth, menacing to destroy it and of accompanying signs - in 1955 (“You people face something unknown to you. The effect of this star on your earth is such that you will be awestruck because you will feel that the Earth could become a victim of that unknown star, which causes noticeable disorder on the Earth, for which you have no explanation.” (B. DUDDE 6324 - 1955))

6.4 Prediction of the holocaust of the earth after the death of a person in power - in 1948 (“When you receive the message of the death of an earthly person in power, the time has arrived which you may call the beginning of the end. The world will become a holocaust and its flames will shoot sky-high; hatred will rage unrestrictedly, and mankind will be seized by terror, recognizing that there no longer is a way out of the inevitable danger.” (B. DUDDE 4493 - 1948))

7. LACK OF CONSISTENT NARRATIVE AND DESCRIPTIVE STORIES

with characters and depiction of historical facts, habits and traditions, particularities of language - as in “GGJ”, “The Childhood of Jesus”, “3 Days in Temple” ,“Bishop Martin”, “From Hell to Heaven”, “Scenes of departing”, “Earth and Moon”, “Natural and Spiritual Sun”, “Saturn”

8. LACK OF CLEAR ADVICES CONCERNING HEALTH, NUTRITION AND REMEDIES

- as in GGJ and, especially, “The Healing Power of the Sun Light” - solar medicine which in the last 15 years has already proved its efficacy in treating thousands of ill people (see, Bernhard Luger’s experience and that of the European companies commercializing such remedies)

9. CONTRADICTIONS WITH THE NR TEACHINGS.

These can vary between great, basic, obvious contradictions, to contradictions in detail, which can be observed only by a very good knower of the NR.

9a. **A GREAT CONTRADICTION:** presenting **A DIFFERENT PORTRAIT OF THE LORD**

9a1. **The total unity of Jesus with the Father** is not recognized. Jesus is seen as not being also the Father or God, but someone (eventually, even a part of the Deity) separated from the Father or God

9a2. **A different attitude of “God” towards people** than the most loving attitude, always respectful towards people’s free-will, of the Lord, as can be everywhere observed in the NR – meaning:

9a2a. **Showing the intention to force people, simply on the ground of divine authority, to obey “God’s will”** (“you have to do this”). No justification is offered and no clear presentation of the consequences of the choice, as in Lord’s teachings from NR – we observe just simple orders. (“You have been given task to fight against errors.”)

Compare with: ***“ Thus I have not used coercion with anyone of you, but have called to you in complete freedom: Whoever wishes, let him come, see, hear and follow Me! But whoever will make this a must will not be My disciple, and he will encounter rocks, obstacles and thorns on his path. Take a good and true example from Me! [...] I gave My commandments and My fatherly advice only with a free “You shall!” and never with a “You must!”. For all commandments I gave to men were actually never laws, but only suggestions made to men by My eternal love and wisdom.”*** (GGJ VII, 20:4-5)

9a2b. **Using references to the divine Qualities as arguments for obeying God’s authority, while these are only delivered as arguments for loving Him in the NR .**

Compare with: ***“That I, as God performed miracles was not so wondrous, the really wondrous thing was My love for you, My created beings, and My immense condescension and selfless kindness, meekness, patience and extraordinary humility before the people whom I could annihilate with just a breath.”*** (GGJ VI, 78:2)

9a2c. **Asking a “blind faith” from the people** (“Believe and do not doubt.”)

Compare with: ***“A true disciple of My teaching shall never accept anything rashly without first examining it carefully. Only after he has gained a deep insight and inner conviction of the whole, shall he accept as living truth what is good and true and then, with prudence and wisdom, act accordingly. He will then certainly achieve those results which can justly be***

considered as blessed from the heavens. [...] Yes, I do demand faith, yet none that is blind or dead, but one that is fully active. (GGJ V, 88:1-2)

9a2d. **Systematically inspiring fear of God** (“Remember always the words of mine when you hear of sudden disappearances of people, from misfortunes and human suffering of all kinds. Whereby I want to admonish all of you to expect a sudden end; I desire that your eyes may be directed to the Might that can destroy everything that you have built and that can ruin all your plans forever!”)

Compare with: ***„Do understand this God, who once in human form descended from heaven to you weak created beings, who left to you precepts of love, of tolerance, of forgiveness. Become engrossed in the thought about His greatness, His might, His infinite creation. At the same time realize what it means that He, this infinite Creator and Lord, wants to let you feel nothing of these attributes overwhelming you, but wants only to be your Father, your loving guide, and who even now for quite a while has been in direct contact with you, trying to draw you to Him, explaining and revealing to you all the secrets of His self, His creation. And this only so that you may learn to love Him and to find your spiritual path more easily, which is mapped out for all who were created by Him and through Him.“*** (Secrets of life)

9a2e. **Predicting “God’s” unavoidable judgments and punishments** while:

- ***God doesn’t give prophecies that concern people or nations, but are independent of their decisions***

Consider this: ***“It is not good for man to know too much of what will definitely be happening in the future, for that would either drive men to despair or render them quite indifferent and inactive. On this earth, where the children of God are being educated, prophecies about the future cannot possibly be as definite as this can be the case on some other world. For in view of earth men’s complete freedom of will, it depends first of all on what the people want themselves and how they act according to their understanding and will.”*** (GGJ VIII, 99:6-7)

When he says, “This or that will happen!” and he does not mention the word “if,” then do not believe him, because a truly born-again being will never neglect to mention the

conditional "if." Whatever will occur, will occur conditionally. That is why a prediction of a future event will never take place with certainty. If something were determined in advance, the world would be in the severest of judgments and all freedom would be lost. (EM 71)

- we know from the NR that **although "judgment" and "punishment" were used in the Scriptures, they don't mean that God, personally judges and punishes anyone.** Instead they mean that God just lets happen the judgment and punishment the people bring upon themselves, which is an act of simply restoring the divine order which ensures the existence of all creation - and this for the only purpose of their betterment, never of their destruction.

Compare with: **"No one can be condemned but by himself. A free being can only 'accuse' itself, i.e., separate itself wholly from the godhead." (From Heaven To Hell I 29: 3, 5)**

"God's mercy reaches so far that He still looks upon your abominable sins with forbearance, hoping that you will finally convert and repent. For even a sinner in the middle of hell crying out to his God and Lord for help will find help and redemption. But you will be preparing your own judgment, and truly, it has already come close!" (GGJ XI, chap. 5)

"Are you really able to believe that I, your most holly and full of love Parent, would ever find pleasure in punishing My children? Believe Me: each stroke I would give you, would cause My heart a pain equal with that your soul would feel." (Household of God, vol. 4 chap 121, ed. Romanian)

9a2e. **Menacing people with spiritual death**, if they do not listen to the words of God (through the specific "prophet").

But listen to this: **"Therefore do not concern yourselves over those who now and in later times will not be able to learn of me, for my father knows them all and has not called a single one of them into existence for their eternal perdition, but to eternal resurrection, out of his love and wisdom." (GGJ VIII/126, 5 on)**

"For surely I cannot call myself the greatest love and compassion, and then the next day the utter desire for revenge, implacable and without pity, and eternal desire to punish and torture my children for their wrongdoings, when fundamentally they often are not responsible for a hundredth

part of it. I have not come to let that which was lost become even more lost, but to seek it out in all love, and bring it back into the light again, that it shall not be lost." (GGJ XI p. 246)

9a2f. **Advising people to ask mercy from "God" (from "Himself") - while the Lord always refers to the simple appeal to His support**, as it was clearly given by Him to all people in the Father's Prayer - for asking mercy from Him that is the infinite mercy, only proves the lack of faith and knowledge of Him

Remember what the Lord says about Himself: **" Although there was an endless gap between Me and you men by which even the most perfect angel spirit could not even approach Me, but now a bridge has been built across that gap, and that one is formed by the love for Me from your side, while I from My side have become a Man Myself of flesh and blood out of My eternally great and above all mighty love for you men, and have also taken your weaknesses upon Me, so that I will not be an eternally distant God, but that I can be a completely close and easy to reach Father, Friend and Brother, which you can become and stay according to the measure of your love for Me.**

If this is the case now between Me and you men, and thus completely different from the time of Moses, no one can say that he is annihilated by My divine majesty that lives in its fullness in Me, since I Myself am with all My heart meek and humble and full of the highest patience and tolerance, love and compassion. So take courage and do not have any unnecessary fear for Me who loved you already for a long time before you existed." (GGJ IX 33 - 132, chap 53)

9a2g. **Asking the disciples to isolate from the world** (because the people are already lost). On the contrary, **the Lord advises the disciples to fight the world - but always, with His weapons in their own hearts.**

The Lord says: **"Anyone wishing to fight the world has to fight it with secret weapons, and these weapons are My love and My peace within you. Each will, however, first have to overcome the world within himself with these weapons, and only then shall he be able at all times to use these weapons successfully against the outside world." (Interpretation of the Scriptures5, 20-24)**

"Leave things the way they are, for the true believer will stay constant even among a generation which doesn't think at anything but entertainment and fully forgot Me! If anyone has an authentic faith in his heart, it will be useless for him to stay in a small circle of My disciples and he will never obtain thus the eternal life!" (Household of God, vol. 4, chap. 124 - Romanian edition)

"Consider, there are millions of people who have to be guided to the right door, the door of light." (The Lord's Sermons, 132)

9a3. **The divine qualities of God, as also His decisions are mentioned, but just superficially, for they are not justified or backed-up by other revelations about His Person, His thinking and feeling** - as it is almost always the case in the NR.

9b. **Confusion concerning things that are clearly stated in the NR**

9b1. **Confusion between the capacities of the body, which is just a natural machine and the soul endowed with a spirit, which is the true entity that perceives, thinks, feels, etc** ("The body separates itself from the soul, as soon as it feels its approaching perfection.")

9b2. **Confusion concerning Lord's respect of each man's free-will**, no matter if this one is an apostle of His or the last sinner. ("I will so guide your life that you can accomplish My request and I Myself will determine the way you shall go in your earthly life.")

9c. **Assuming different consequences or premises for some facts, than the ones presented in the NR**

9c1. **Affirming that the soul dying in pains is necessary coming after death in heaven** - while this is never stated in the NR and the most obvious example can be found in the Scriptures, because from the other two men crucified with the Lord, only the criminal who repented received the assurance of being with Him in paradise ("the soul separated from the body with pain [...] raises up immediately into the kingdom of spiritual beings"). On the contrary, a most painful death is shown in the NR to be the faith of those very sensual souls, that will not lead an easy life in the beyond either.

9c2. **Affirming that the faith in immortality depends only on the sincerity and good behavior of man** - when this, according to the NR, depends on the level of spiritual awakening and, implicitly, on the

man's love for God ("each person who is sincere and always does what is right can awaken the faith in immortality")

9c3. **Indicating that the motivation of a child of God could be different than the pure love for God and His creation** ("A true child of the Heavenly Father will be satisfied with what his Father says to him and will continually try to fulfill His Will, because this brings happiness.")

NR 9d. PREDICTIONS/ PROPHECIES DIFFERENT THAN THOSE FROM THE

9d1. Prediction of the final destruction of the Earth which is never encountered in the NR, but on the contrary, ***the assurance that the earth will never be destroyed*** and will pass extremely slowly through all its natural ages until its death and following, complete spiritualization ("Do not forget that you live in the end-time and that on instructions from My opponent the people themselves will carry out the final destruction, but in My eternal plan of Salvation the end of the earth is based on the will of men.")

9d2. Prediction of a forerunner of Jesus Christ in the modern times, who is different in description than the one the Lord points at in the GGJ - respectively, John the Baptist (who seems to be also Jakob Lorber).

("He will be a real miracle-worker of the poor and unhappy ones, and a helper in distress that will come over all humanity in the time when he appears. He will speak loudly and perceivably. He will not be afraid of those who forbid his working. All the more he will expose those who speak and act against the Will of God. [...]. He will be your strong support so that you take the road to GOD, for his speech is convincing and powerful. GOD HIMSELF speaks through him so obviously that it should not be difficult for anyone to follow him. He will give such visible testimonies of his calling that the people will recognize there by who he is!" (B. D. 7295 - 1959))

But here is the Lord's word from GGJ: **"Then I called John the Baptist and Elijah to Me, whom those who were present knew only in the personality of the Baptist.(*). And I said loudly in the presence of all: "You have been My predecessor in this great time of My coming to the people, and you will again be My predecessor when that great time will arise about which I have spoken. But the people will not recognize you then, despite that you will know who you actually are,**

because that last temptation in the flesh that you can expect will become the foundation for the building of the dawning kingdom of peace. The people at the time of your next life will care little about your word, but it will be written in their soul with burning letters so that they will nevertheless feel it when they will be free of their body. That word of you will be My Word, and I will demand an account of everyone who heard it but despised it. (GGJ Book 25, chp54-55/ XI,30)

9d3. See also point 6. WRONG PREDICTIONS/ PROPHECIES (none of those quoted there being encountered in the NR)

9e. OTHER CONTRADICTIONS

9e1. Predicting the spiritual death of (some) people, while although describing the spiritual death as a real possibility, the Lord assures us more than once in the NR that ***all human beings that lived on earth will sooner or later be saved***

"And none of my earthly children can ever be lost, but all must be saved, whether here or over there. The work on them will never stop, and all the blessedness of my angels consists in only one thing - to help save them." ("Words of the Father" vol. 2, p. 54).

9e2. A different view of Satan and his powers ("But he is always aware of My plans trying to make them ineffective.")... when we know from the NR that not even the highest angel knows all Lord's plans and that it's in His power to share them only with whom He wants. Surely, Satan would not be between the worthy ones... Also - "he ***always disguises himself with the garments of light***" - but ***we can acknowledge him as a dragon*** in certain encounters described in the "GGJ" or "Bishop Martin", for example.

9e3. The appreciation of the prophet transmitting the message (of "God") as somebody who is worthy to be a model for others and a ruler of them - while the most definitory qualities of a prophet's soul are humility and self-denial.

"For where they will declare that I am to be found there I will be the least, or not at all, and never. Whoever shall seek Me in anything that even remotely savors of anything worldly, he will not find Me, but only he who seeks Me in true love, humility and self-denial." (6 GG. 76, 19).

"Whoever wants to talk with Me, let him come to Me, and I will place the answer in his heart; but only the pure, whose heart is full

of humility, shall perceive the tone of My voice.” (Household of God 1, 1)

9e4. Assuming that spiritual and earthly (material) are separated, while we know from the “GGJ”, “Secrets of life” and “Earth and Moon” that ***matter is just condensed spirit***, temporary condemned by the will of God to a state of minimal freedom. We may be living in the flesh, but our souls and spirits live simultaneously in the spiritual world (“**But he is wrong to think that earthly and spiritual things can be mixed, for they are always separate.**”)

9e5. Presenting other planets as indescribable, while we have from the Lord through Lorber such largely descriptive works as “**Saturn**”, “**Earth and Moon**” and “**Spiritual Sun**”. (“**But the living conditions are all different, for each planet varies in its nature and consistency, a closer description of which cannot be given to people on earth since it would be incomprehensible to them and would require spiritual knowledge to be able to understand.**”)

9e6. Recommending the intercession of other beings between man and God. (“**They give you good advice through your thoughts and you can call on them in every need, when you are in touch with Me, so that I can instruct these Light-beings to stand by you.**”) Although we know from the GGJ that every man has six spiritual guides – the seventh one being the Lord Himself, ***no claim to intercession is ever recommended to anybody***. On the contrary, we know that each ***one should address only the Lord in his heart***. The quoted phrase is furthermore absurd, for once being already in touch with God clearly one doesn’t need to appeal to any servants of Him...

THE TWO LEVELS IN THE ANALYZE AND VALIDATION OF TEXTS CLAIMING TO COME FROM GOD

In any comparative analyze between the NR and other texts which are written as coming from the Lord, we can observe that there are two different levels on which we can observe things :

- I. The first one is **the level of mind’s validation** – here are taken into account the logical consistency, lack of redundancy, the way of treating subjects (such as natural and spiritual facts, scriptural explanations, scientific predictions, prophecies) and the presentation performances (such as clarity and flexibility in explaining the natural through spiritual). The perfect intellectual qualities of the writings of the NR, make them an absolute referential, so any error or imperfection of other texts registered in this area, should induce a suspicion concerning their validity.
- II. The second and the most important one **is the level of heart’s validation** – which refers to recognizing the thinking and attitude of Lord’s ultimate love and mercy (as depicted in the NR and Gospels), in the other teachings: this

means, for example, that we can observe if in the other texts, the one assuming to be the Lord never tries to impose something on people, but always presents them the main variants of action, with their consequences, fully respecting man's freedom of choice. So, this validation is based on the reference to the portrait of the most humble, loving, carrying, forgiving, patient and understanding God we obtained for our hearts, from the teachings of the NR. Wherever the attitude, thinking or decision of the other texts' author, seem to describe him as superficial or offended or disposed to judgment and punishment, this should induce a serious suspicion concerning their validity.

- A common denominator of the false teachings, which can clearly be identified at this level, is that **they do not show love, do not describe and explain acts of love and do not ask love in return. They rather inspire respect, obedience, fear or even admiration, but not love.**

Just compare this: "You must understand that I rule, and that MY Will is respected by all spiritual beings who serve and live in My realm of Light."

With: „**For the sake of one child I shall sacrifice thousands of millions of suns and worlds of all kinds, if I could not otherwise have it come back to me. If, however, it were a question of a child only being saved by my giving this My only eternal life for it, I would rather let this, too, go from me than lose one of My children. Can you comprehend such love?**" (Ha II 251, 14, 17)

A FEW OBSERVATIONS CONCERNING THE EFFECTS OF FALSE TEACHINGS

1. **If the teachings diverge considerably from the fundamentals of Lord's teaching (NR, Gospels),** the effects are very severe as they consist in confusing many people and leading them on wrong paths that tend to put an ever greater distance between them and the truth and life they are seeking for, which is the Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

Lord said that He is not only the Truth and the only eternal Life, but also the Way, so no way that doesn't start with Him and doesn't have Him as a guide at every step, cannot not be the right one.

“Only the one, who teaches his fellowman in the right order, as I have shown you, will build a house on a rocky surface. When storms and floods will come over such house, they will not be able to damage the house, because it was built on a rocky surface. And that Rock am I. And when you begin with Me, you will be able to do everything very well. However, without Me nothing.” (53. False and true prophets - GGJ - IX 133 - X18)

Some common **divergences** from the fundamental truths revealed by the Lord in both Christian Scriptures and NR are:

- A. The idea that man is born in a state of spiritual grace, endowed with a natural, wonderful personality, which has no propensity towards sin.
- B. The derived idea that repenting and forgiveness are useless, since all that keeps man from being the natural wonderful person he really is, is simply the ignorance that he is wonderful and the inability of exercising his free-will.
- C. The idea that all religious beliefs are good, for all are valuable ways of spiritual evolution towards God
- D. The idea that Jesus was not God, but just a man, prophet, a Son of God that we all are meant to be someday, a high spirit or an archangel of God (all the other ideas that deny the virgin birth, the death on the cross, the resurrection, the sinless life of the Lord, His virginity, His absolute knowledge and power upon creation, are always associated with the idea that He was not God incarnate on earth)
- E. The idea that no personal relationship with God is possible (particularly, the idea that prayers are useless is also, derived from this one and also the theological idea promoted by most of the institutionalized Christianity that the relationship with God is possible only by the intercession of the representatives of the church/ saints/ virgin Mary)

*However, we know very clear from Lord’s revelations that **we are not born on this earth as wonderful spiritual beings, but in a state of sin, of total spiritual blindness, due to the original sin of disobedience performed by the biological parents of all humanity, which is clearly explained in “The Household of God”. The sin cannot ever be overcome without first recognizing it and then, asking God’s support in order to do it. Not all the religions are good and, in fact, no religion paves the way to God. Is just Him, Himself the way and not the religion, but the relationship with Him is necessary. And yes... we know for we acknowledged it within our own spirits, that Jesus is God, that all authority truly***

belongs to Him and is given to him by His own heart, His own spirit of eternal love, which is the Father.

2. **If the teachings do not differ much from the NR and Gospels**, but share with them the main concepts and ideas (as it's the case with Bertha Dudde and others), the effects may be:
 - a. **to gradually undermine the NR and the Scriptures, substituting them with "more actual and reliable Words of God", but obviously of an incomparably lower quality - which will unavoidably lead to an increase in the criticism of believers and to a growing lack of faith**

A clear example of this more or less subtle attempt can be found in one of Bertha Dudde's message:

B.D. 8909 10.1.1965 [...] **"Precisely because you are living in the last days I Am giving you the purest truth, which you can pass on without hesitation**, pointing out that nothing will remain unchanged once it comes into possession of people who are not yet perfect themselves.... **And you can believe that this work (J. Lorber) has also gone through changes and therefore has no longer remained pure.... Besides, My servant J. Lorber, too, was just a human being who was able to err and has erred whenever his intellect tried to solve a problem by itself, for then My adversary was able to influence his mind.... Admittedly, he enjoyed My protection, and he truly left the kind of knowledge to the world which certainly entitles him to be called the greatest seer and prophet.... yet I had to leave him his free will, which was the only reason why the adversary was able to interfere.... otherwise an obvious contradiction such as the description of My Nature, that all opposites are present within Me.... could not have happened. Yet I will not deny My protection to any Word-recipient who genuinely struggles to gain the right understanding, who only ever wants to know and spread the pure truth. And that should suffice you and strengthen you in the battle against error, for I will walk with you and also still let you find the evidence of your correct thinking.... Amen"**

Compare this with: **"Your fear and anxiety, however, be to you a certain declaration whether you have full confidence in Me or not! Every fear is the result of a weak faith and confidence in Me! Am I not the One who called back to life the four days in the sepulchre rotting Lazarus? So if you believe that I am the same and now talk to you through the certainly meek, but otherwise true-hearted**

servant, for several years already, why is then your faith weak and why impure your present opinion, that consequently the My-to-you-returned servant gave the means out of himself in My Name, which then couldn't help because it may perhaps not be from Me but from My servant? Do you not know that I would immediately dismiss the servant if he would allow himself something like that? You must not take my servant to be such a malicious sinner! He certainly has other weaknesses but mostly against himself, but in My Name he is faithful and strong and is not afraid of people and does not look to advantages of the world even though he is materially poor.” (From Hell to Heaven, Vol. 2, p. 404)

b. **to deviate the disciples of the Lord from the path of spiritual rebirth and fighting the world for its salvation** which is only possible with God's love and peace of the heart and convince them that the right way is to retire from the world in closed, elitist communities, **under the leadership of so-called “elected” ones** who assume the title of God's representatives on earth (antichrists). This is made by first deceiving the seekers by using concepts and ideas taken out of their context from God's teachings and then, by introducing some new ones that tend to establish a sense of special entitlement in the new “prophets” and their disciples. But consider this:

“LYING SPIRITS are often masters of disguise. They can, like the Father Himself, speak much of love and deceive therewith the love-hungry people. Yes, they can speak rightful words which are difficult to distinguish from the genuine words of the Father. But by one sign they can be recognized; they will constantly try to awaken pride in the medium or his followers.

A genuine sign, however, is when the medium is rather blamed or corrected than praised, for he is not allowed to become arrogant because he was found to be worthy to hear the voice of the Father. A person already firmly established in humility does not demand any praise, on the contrary he becomes very suspicious to have received any mark of distinction. Thus said once the heavenly Father to Jakob Lorber, after he had written down the first words: “You, who have written this down badly, this applies to you first of all, afterwards to all others. (HG 1, 14). (G. Kujoth - True and false prophets)

“If you stay in Me, I will also stay in you. However, without Me you can do nothing. And if you are with Me, and have done

everything in My name, then say in yourselves: 'Look, o Lord, how we, while working in Your vineyard, are still standing before You as lazy and useless helpers.' For truly: he who exalts himself, will be humiliated, but he who humiliates himself, will be exalted.

Besides, you will call no one 'Lord', for only one is your Lord and Master, and this is I. Also, you will call no one 'Father', for only one is your Father, namely He who lives in Heaven. So you also should call no one good and holy, for only God is good and holy. You are all brothers and sisters among each other. The one among you, who wants to be the first and the most important, should be the helper and servant of all. For in My Kingdom, the most humble, the minor and apparently the least, is actually the most important and the greatest in all wisdom and power. Now you know what you should do and what you always have to heed in order to keep Me and My power and might in yourselves and work with it. Do it always in this way, then you will also stay in Me and I in you." (Chap. 13 - The humility of the workers in the vineyard of the Lord - GGJ - IX 133 - X18)

- c. c. to frighten people and lead them away from the loving heart of the Father, by presenting the portrait of an angry, judgmental and demonstrative God, who asks for unconditional obedience (to him and his representatives) in order not to punish humanity with the greatest possible disasters**

In all cases, the final target of a false teaching is the obstruction of the inner development of a sincere and loving relationship with God. This thing is not necessary known by an apostle of a false teaching, for in many cases he is a totally devoid of faith person, but it's surely known by the one who inspires him via his pride and worldly attachment. For him there cannot be other interest, because a soul saved for God is a slave less for himself.