

Exposing the False Revival, Leaven in Lakeland

"Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump? I

Corinthians 5: 6

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The axiom "eat the meat and spit out the bones" has become well known and much spoken amongst many believers over recent years. In fact, it has become perilously abused for even the finest fish bone can choke and kill a person! (Chuck Pierce, The Elijah List, July 2, 2008, writing about Lakeland and past outpourings/revivals: "I love what Bishop Bill Hamon says, **"Eat the meat and spit out the bones and you will find yourself nourished."**") An accurate description of "bones" might be the speaker's weak oratory skills, vocabulary or grammar, distracting dress/hair style, stuttering/stammering, immature understanding of the topic (i.e. is young either literally or in the Lord), etc. which could be discarded or overlooked in light of the "meat" of the Word of God they are sharing. However, when one goes about teaching Truth mixed with anything anti- or extra-Biblical, this cannot be accepted or excused simply as "bones" to be tossed out! The scriptures are very clear on this matter, *"Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump."* 1 Corinthians 5:6. In simple terms: A drop of poison makes the whole loaf of bread deadly! ☠ The tiniest fish bone can choke and kill!

1 Kings 18: 18—21 18 *"I have not made trouble for Israel," Elijah replied. "But you and your father's family have. You have abandoned the LORD's commands and have followed the Baals. Now summon the people from all over Israel to meet me on Mount Carmel. And bring the four hundred and fifty prophets of Baal and the four hundred prophets of Asherah, who eat at Jezebel's table."* So Ahab sent word throughout all Israel and assembled the prophets on Mount Carmel. **Elijah went before the people and said, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him." But the people said nothing."**

Jehovah does not "eat the meat" of our worship and "spit out the bones". His Word is very clear, *"To obey is better than sacrifice."* 1 Samuel 15:22, *"Who may ascend the hill of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to an idol or swear by what is false."* Psalms 24:3-4. When Elijah demanded that the people decide who they were going to follow (obey) they "said nothing." How long are we going to allow people to present teaching that is blatantly contrary to the written Word of God while calling it truth and Say Nothing? *"For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her righteousness shines out like the dawn, her salvation (Yeshua) like a blazing torch."* Isaiah 62:7

1 John 4: 1—3 *"Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world."*

Joshua 24:14—15 *"Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your forefathers worshiped beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will*

serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." "

Many have looked at the events in Lakeland and have claimed preaching of the Gospel, brokenness and repentance; healings and many other signs, wonders and manifestations that are taking place are proof that God is in it. First off, the scriptures clearly state that demonstrations such as these are not indicative of God's approval: Matthew 7: 22—23 "Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?' Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'" ; Luke 13: 26—27 "Then you will say, 'We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.' "But he will reply, 'I don't know you or where you come from. Away from me, all you evildoers!" And, while there may be elements of truth being presented; there is much leaven:

Leaven in False prophecy

On June 7, 2008 Todd Bentley read a prophetic word he received from Wendy Alec of GodTV -

Todd: [quoting Wendy Alec] "The Lord just spoke to me...this is what will happen tomorrow night...the King and the King's anointing falls tomorrow night...the eighth of June the anointing of the King of Glory falls...Jesus said, "I am coming in Person" (Todd: the King is coming in person)...I sense so strongly there will be a personal divine visitation...of the Lamb of God, the Lord Jesus Christ to the revival tomorrow night ...He will come in the clouds in his chariot surrounded by a great angelic host... because of the great honoring of the Lamb of God, the King of Glory is coming to Lakeland ...to visit the revival... to visit the outpouring...The devil trembles with that knowledge...For tomorrow the King of Glory sets foot upon the stage in divine, personal, one-to-one visitation"

From there, Todd goes on to explain that he doesn't mean Jesus will come "in the flesh" that it is an atmosphere, etc. (Follow this link to watch/hear Todd proclaim this: <http://youtube.com/watch?v=A4Wc18CDsRA>)

"In person" means "in person". It does not mean "in a spiritual" sense or "in an atmospheric" sense. [in person, in one's own bodily presence; personally: Applicants are requested to apply in person.; Dictionary.com; in person adverb - in the flesh; without involving anyone else; "I went there personally"; "he appeared in person" WordNet.com, Princeton University] Jesus did not show up "in person" in Lakeland on June 8th!

Isaiah 44: 24--25 "This is what the LORD says—your Redeemer, who formed you in the womb: I am the LORD, who has made all things, who alone stretched out the heavens, who spread out the earth by myself, who foils the signs of false prophets and makes fools of diviners, who overthrows the learning of the wise and turns it into nonsense," When Jesus comes we will ALL see him - "Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him. So shall it be! Amen." Revelation 1:7

The test of a prophetic word is not whether or not it comes to pass; but whether or not it lines up with the word and heart of God. Jesus himself said in Matthew 24:24—26 "For false Christs and

false prophets will appear and perform great signs and miracles to deceive even the elect—if that were possible. See, I have told you ahead of time. "So if anyone tells you, 'There he is, out in the desert,' **do not go out**; or, 'Here he is, in the inner rooms,' do not believe it.

The scriptures are replete with admonitions to seek God:

Deuteronomy 4:29 "But if from there you seek the LORD your God, you will find him if you look for him with all your heart and with all your soul."

1 Chronicles 16:10-11 "Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice. Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always."

1 Chronicles 22:19a "Now devote your heart and soul to seeking the LORD your God."

2 Chronicles 7:14 "if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

Psalms 9:10 "Those who know your name will trust in you, for you, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you."

Psalms 27:4 "One thing I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple."

Malachi 3:1-3a "See, I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come," says the LORD Almighty. But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver."

Hebrews 11:6 "And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him."

However, there is neither a command nor an invitation to seek a "visitation". Why do we need a visitation from One who is already with us?

Matthew 28:20b "And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

John 14:15—17, 25—26 "'If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you....All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."

According to Malachi 3:1-3a, when the Lord does come, no one will be able to stand because he will be "like a refiner's fire."

Matthew 24:24—26 comes with this commandment: “So if anyone tells you, ‘There he is, out in the desert, ‘do not go out!’” Yet people have been going to Lakeland in droves...not to hear the Gospel preached...but to see signs, wonders and manifestations and to receive an impartation from Todd of the anointing he is carrying. *Matthew 16:4a* “A wicked and adulterous generation looks for a miraculous sign” Signs and wonders should follow the preaching of the Gospel; we are not to seek signs and wonders. *Matthew 11:20* “Then Jesus began to denounce the cities in which most of his miracles had been performed, because they did not repent.” If we are obedient to God, and preach the Gospel from Torah through the fulfillment thereof in Messiah, then God will prove himself by signs and wonders. *Exodus 23:25 & 26* “Worship the LORD your God, and his blessing will be on your food and water. I will take away sickness from among you, and none will miscarry or be barren in your land. I will give you a full life span.”

Note of Interest: If Todd Bently, Wendy Alec of GodTV, and the Apostle’s who have given their blessing to these meetings approve so much of all that is going on then why:

(1) are the dates June 7 – 11 missing from the GodTV broadcasts; and

(2) did Todd Bently (on June 8th) write a letter which includes: “For this reason, I asked my staff to remove from our website, articles that are causing such strife and division and deterring the Body from the very real and pressing focus of these last days.”

If something done is in fact God ordained, then it should be left for all to read/see and “rightly divide” for themselves. If everyone removed articles and testimonies from their websites that cause “strife and division and deterring in the Body” then we would have no references to the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, speaking in tongues, baptizing in the name of Jesus vs. the whole trinity, etc.

Leaven in Doctrines of Angels

Todd Bentley saying we should believe in “the angel”

http://youtube.com/watch?v=IKA_X1zxOQc&feature=related

Todd Bentley: “so if your not big on supernatural and angels, I’m sorry, it’s my testimony...but if you want to know why God’s moving I have to tell you the whole story and if you don’t believe the story, well ...sorry. You know I told the Lord, ‘Why can’t I just move in healing and forget talking about all that other stuff?’... He said, ‘Because,Todd, **you gotta get people to believe in the angel.**’ I said, ‘God, why do I want people to believe in the angel? Isn’t it about getting the people to believe in Jesus?’ He said, ‘**The people already believe in Jesus but the church doesn’t believe in the supernatural.** ...The church has no problem believing in Jesus...what we don’t believe in is the supernatural...we don’t believe in angels...we don’t believe in the prophetic...we don’t believe in some of what’s goin on...And I’ll tell you what, we need to have an awakening.”

James 2:19 “You believe that there is one God. Good! **Even the demons believe that—and shudder.**”

1 John 2: 22—27 “Who is the liar? It is the **man who denies that Jesus is the Christ.** Such a man is the antichrist—he denies the Father and the Son. No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also. **See that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the**

Father. And this is what he promised us—even eternal life. I am writing these things to you about those who are trying to lead you astray. As for you, the anointing you received from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about all things and as that anointing is real, not counterfeit—just as it has taught you, **remain in him.**

Todd yelling, "send the angels" <http://youtube.com/watch?v=nIUOwfBEYfk>

Todd Bently: “open up those heavens and let the angels come down with fire...angels come down with fire...let the angels come down with fire...I’m not done yet...I’m not done yet...Let the angels come down with fiiiiiiirre!....Call down the fire...call down the fire...call down the fire...call down the fire... ANGELS... ANGELS... ANGELS... ANGELS...ANGELS...ANGELS... ANGELS... ANGELS... ANGELS... ANGELS... ANGELS... ANGELS... ANGELS... ANGELS... ANGELS... [To the crowd: I want you to say, ‘God I’m asking that heaven would open...and ministering spirits...angels of glory...angels of healing... waaarrring angels... that they would be released out of the heavens’...and I want you to lift up your voice and call down the angel...just angel ...angels...come on God, send them...angels...angels... ANGELS...ANGELS...ANGELS... come on God, send them... ANGELS... ANGELS... COME ON GOD, SEND THE ANGELS...ANGELS...ANGELS... come on send the angels, God...send the angels, Father...angels...angels... send the angels...angels...send the angels... ANGELS...ANGELS...ANGELS...send the aaangels...send the aaangels... I need heaven’s help...I need heaven’s angels...help...I need angelic hosts...I need angelic warriors... I need healing angels... I need angels of revelation...”

2 Corinthians 10: 4-6 "Now I, Paul, myself am pleading with you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ—who in presence am lowly among you, but being absent am bold toward you. But I beg you that when I am present I may not be bold with that confidence by which I intend to be bold against some, who think of us as if we walked according to the flesh. For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, **casting down** arguments and **every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God**, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

***Colossians 2: 18—19** “Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the **worship of angels** disqualify you for the prize. Such a person goes into great detail about what he has seen, and his unspiritual mind puffs him up with idle notions. **He has lost connection with the Head**, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow.*

1 Timothy 4:1, 6, 9—11, 16 “The Spirit clearly says that in later times **some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons**. ...If you point these things out to the brothers, you will be a good minister of Christ Jesus, brought up in the truths of the faith and of the good teaching that you have followed....This is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance (and for this we labor and strive), that we have put our hope in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, and especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things....**Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.**”

*Hebrews 1:1—4 “In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe. **The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being**, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. So **he became as much superior to the angels** as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.”*

If angels carry anointing then why didn't God just have the angel deliver the Holy Spirit to Cornelius rather than having the angel tell him to “bring back a man named Simon who is called Peter?”

Acts 10: 1—6 “At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion in what was known as the Italian Regiment. He and all his family were devout and God-fearing; he gave generously to those in need and prayed to God regularly. One day at about three in the afternoon he had a vision. He distinctly saw an angel of God, who came to him and said, “Cornelius!” Cornelius stared at him in fear. “What is it, Lord?” he asked. The angel answered, “Your prayers and gifts to the poor have come up as a memorial offering before God. Now send men to Joppa to bring back a man named Simon who is called Peter. He is staying with Simon the tanner, whose house is by the sea.””

Todd Bentley and the Angel called Emma: EMMA, ANGEL OF THE PROPHETIC

Now let me talk about an angelic experience with Emma. Twice Bob Jones asked me about this angel that was in Kansas City in 1980: “Todd, have you ever seen the angel by the name of Emma?” He asked me as if he expected that this angel was appearing to me. Surprised, I said, “Bob, who is Emma?” He told me that Emma was the angel that helped birth and start the whole prophetic movement in Kansas City in the 1980s. She was a mothering-type angel that helped nurture the prophetic as it broke out. Within a few weeks of Bob asking me about Emma, I was in a service in Beulah, North Dakota. In the middle of the service I was in conversation with Ivan and another person when in walks Emma. As I stared at the angel with open eyes, the Lord said, “Here’s Emma.” I’m not kidding. She floated a couple of inches off the floor. It was almost like Kathryn Khulman in those old videos when she wore a white dress and looked like she was gliding across the platform. Emma appeared beautiful and young-about 22 years old-but she was old at the same time. She seemed to carry the wisdom, virtue and grace of Proverbs 31 on her life.

She glided into the room, emitting brilliant light and colors. **Emma carried these bags and began pulling gold out of them. Then, as she walked up and down the aisles of the church, she began putting gold dust on people.** “God, what is happening?” I asked. **The Lord answered: “She is releasing the gold,** which is both the revelation and the financial breakthrough that I am bringing into this church. I want you to prophecy that Emma showed up in this service-the same angel that appeared in Kansas city-as a sign that I am endorsing and releasing a prophetic spirit in the church.”

The above quotes can be found here: <http://www.etpv.org/2003/angho.html>

Emma-o by Micha F. Lindemans

The Japanese Buddhist god of the underworld (from the Sanskrit Yama). He lives in the Yellow Springs under the earth in a huge castle all **covered in silver and gold, rosy pearls and other jewels**. He is the judge of the dead and notes the sins of those who are sentenced to purgatory, and decides the degree of their punishments according to Buddha's Law. Anyone who has killed an innocent will be thrown into a boiling cauldron full of molten metal. However, if they have made a pilgrimage to each of the 33 shrines of the goddess of mercy Kannon, then all the evil they have done will disappear. Sometimes he is portrayed less pitiless and returns life to those who appear before him.

Why is it that no one is bothered by the "coincidence" that the angel Bob Jones introduced to Todd Bentley, an angel of prosperity that releases gold and gold dust, is so similar to a Japanese Buddhist god of the underworld named Emma-o that lives in a castle covered with silver, gold, pearls and other jewels?

II Corinthians 11:13—15 "For such men are false apostles, deceitful workmen, masquerading as apostles of Christ. And no wonder, for **Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light. It is not surprising, then, if his servants masquerade as servants of righteousness.** Their end will be what their actions deserve.

Matthew 10:8—10 "Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received, freely give. **Do not take along any gold or silver** or copper in your belts; take no bag for the journey, or extra tunic, or sandals or a staff; for the worker is worth his keep.

Acts 3:6—7 "Then Peter said, "**Silver or gold I do not have**, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk." Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong."

James 5:2—3 "Your wealth has rotted, and moths have eaten your clothes. **Your gold and silver are corroded.** Their corrosion will testify against you and eat your flesh like fire. You have hoarded wealth in the last days."

Matthew 6:19—20 ""**Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth**, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal."

Leaven in the Leadership

Chuck Pierce, *The Elijah List*, July 2, 2008:

"I see that some individuals view "moves of God" this way: they see all the dangers, they are afraid that they will have a demon transferred to them, **they analyze every move and shake and scrutinize doctrinally everything that is happening.** This may be the only way that some can process their relationship with the Lord and the Body of Christ. ... Some need to fully test the water before they swim. Personally, I have found that there is great joy in watching God's people express themselves, work through their issues, learn to discern both good and evil and continually mature in Him."

I Timothy 4:1, 6, 9—11, 16 "The Spirit clearly says that in later times **some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons.** ...If you point these things

*out to the brothers, you will be a good minister of Christ Jesus, brought up in the truths of the faith and of the good teaching that you have followed....This is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance (and for this we labor and strive), that we have put our hope in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, and especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things....**Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.***

*II Timothy 2: 15 "**Study** to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that needs not be ashamed, **rightly dividing the word of truth.**"*

Bill Johnson's response to Todd Bentley

What do you think about Todd Bentley and the Lakeland Revival?

"Todd is a good friend, but more importantly, he is a friend of God. I've met very few people in my life who are hungrier for God and will take extended periods of time just to seek Him. God has entrusted him with an extraordinary outpouring for a reason—He can trust him to do whatever He says, regardless of the opinions of others. He is bold—amazingly bold. The miracles are legitimate and increasing. The church of America has asked for a great revival. God wonderfully placed this move in a package that few would have expected, just to see if we're as hungry as we say we are."

Recent response to the above answer: "How in God's name can you endorse Todd Bentley?" This is my response:

Have you spent time with Todd? Do you know him? Have you watched him with his wife? Or have you seen how he treats his kids? Have you spent any time with his staff? Have you been to his ministry? Has he been to yours? Have you laid hands on him and prayed? Has he laid hands on you and prayed? Have you grieved over tragedy together? Have you celebrated victory together? Has he sought your counsel? Has he traveled a great distance just to meet with you privately for advice? Have you ever received his counsel? Have you been in the room when God has showed up on him, and used him in stunning miracles? Have you seen him operate in the word of knowledge or the prophetic? Have you met with his counsel of elders? Have you personally benefited from his gift? Has he benefited from your gift and ministry? Has he ever honored you for who you are in God? Has he partnered with you as a friend? Have you sacrificed for his welfare, or that of his family? Have you sought God with him? Have you ever worshipped the Lord with him?

I didn't think so. I have. And I'll continue to support those who I have walked with in life and ministry. He's my friend. More importantly, God calls him friend. And if you and I were ever friends in that level, and people hated you and turned against you, and started web pages to tear down your ministry, and criticized you to your friends, and wrote against you in Christian magazines, and criticized you on the radio and wrote emails to other conference speakers and authors, I'd still be your friend.

By the way - criticism in the form of a question is not a question. But to respond to your statement, "How in God's name can you endorse Todd Bentley?" It's easy. I do it in God's name. Bill"

Matthew 23: 26—28 "Blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and dish, and then the outside also will be clean. Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You are like whitewashed tombs, **which look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are full of dead men's bones** and everything unclean. In the same way, on the outside **you appear to people as righteous but on the inside you are full of hypocrisy and wickedness.**"

Just because a man is all the things Bill Johnson says about Todd Bentley doesn't mean he is righteous and operating in the Spirit of God. The self-appointed Apostolic leaders of the day have decided that we should all let them discern for the rest of us what is of God and what is not. No man/woman should become so great in his eyes or in the eyes of anyone else that they are practically considered infallible – or at least so “in touch” with God in Heaven that they will know what the rest of us cannot. Those who have embraced and commissioned Todd Bentley have given no answer for the “leaven” in his ministry. By doing this they have in essence, embraced it as truth. This makes them and their ministries questionable as well.

Leaven of money changers in the house

Chuck Pierce, The Elijah List, July 2, 2008 plugs one of his books in the middle of his testimony: “Then James Robison had his annual meeting and invited John Wimber to minister. Many of you remember our story of Pam's barrenness. **You can read about it in two or three of the books** that we have written.” ... “To know more about Pam's testimony, you can purchase One Thing.”

C. Peter Wagner, Global Harvest Ministries, The Elijah List, July 2, 2008:

Ché Ahn, Bill Johnson and John Arnott laid on hands and anointed Todd Bentley with a **special new "Be Revived" oil** that Chuck Pierce (who was in Africa) sent for the event. P.S. June 25 was Todd's day off, so Ché Ahn took the service. Among other things, **he used Chuck Pierce's "Be Revived" anointing oil** to personally anoint the 1,000 or so pastors as "carriers of fire" to their churches.

Chuck Pierce, The Weight of Glory: Firstfruits - Let the Gate Come Open!, Friday, July 4, 2008
Be Revived Anointing Oil and Candle

Revival is in earth's atmosphere! Because the anointing breaks the yoke, we have sought the Lord on the ingredients needed for a revival fire anointing oil and candle. The first aspect of Revived is "awakening". We use costmary, an original herb used by the colonists to stay alert and awake. The second ingredient we incorporate is pomegranate, representing healing, overcoming and prosperity. The third ingredient is "harvest". This is a mixture of the seven species of Israel which represent the fullness of unlocking the harvest fields. There is a boldness that God is bringing on His people to pray over others. We must come alive and be bold witnesses in this hour. Be revived and use this oil to "break the yoke" as you minister to others. Roll-on Anointing Oil **\$10**; Candle: **\$12**; Roll-on Anointing Oil + Candle: **\$20**.

Todd Bentley's revival in Lakeland draws 400,000 and counting, By Thomas Lake, Times Staff Writer, St. Petersburg Times In print: Monday, June 30, 2008

"Bam!" he said, in the meeting's fourth hour, in an open field next to an airport, as God TV propelled his face into homes across the planet. "Bam bam bam bam ba ba bam bam bam!" ... Get out your credit cards, he said. Write a check. Click on the blue button on the Web site. "You reap what you sow," he said. **"Generosity and the anointing go hand in hand."**

This is from *World Magazine*:

A visit to one of Bentley's services suggests that he is learning how to turn the big crowds into big money. **ATM machines have been set up, providing attendees with ready cash for the offering plate and book purchases. The offering is now a significant part of the service,**

taking as long as 30 minutes. Bentley **has not released financial information**, saying he is “too busy keeping up with what God is doing” to pull the information together. *“Left behind” June 28, 2008, **Same old scam?, CHARITY:** Even some Pentecostals are skeptical of Todd Bentley’s tent revival, Rusty Leonard and Warren Cole Smith*
<http://slaughteringthesheep.wordpress.com/2008/06/25/atm-machines-set-up-at-todd-bentleys-meetings/>

Mark 11:15—17 “On reaching Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple area and began driving out those who were **buying and selling there**. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves, and would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple courts. And as he taught them, he said, “Is it not written: “**My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations’? But you have made it 'a den of robbers.'**”

I Corinthians 5: 7 “Get rid of the old yeast that you may be a new batch without yeast”

In a desperate attempt to make the events at Lakeland the work of God, some believers are calling this leaven “bones” to be spit out; and many are discounting it all together – “sweeping it under the rug”, so to speak. However, the scriptures are clear that (1) we, like Paul, are to “judge those inside the church” and (2) “expel the wicked man from among [us]”.

I Corinthians 5: 9—13 “I have written you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people— not at all meaning the people of this world who are immoral, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters. In that case you would have to leave this world. But now I am writing **you that you must not associate with anyone who calls himself a brother but is** sexually immoral or greedy, **an idolater**^{G1495} or a slanderer, a drunkard or a swindler. With such a man do not even eat. What business is it of mine to judge those outside the church? Are you not to **judge those inside?** God will judge those outside. “**Expel the wicked man from among you.**”

Strong’s #G1495 eidōlōlatrēs: 1) a worshipper of false gods, an idolater, 2) a covetous man as a worshipper of Mammon