

## **“501(c)(3)-ites” are God’s Enemy Rather Than His Friend**

*A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity. (Proverbs 17:17)*

*If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father’s commandments, and abide in his love. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. (John 15:10-14)*

*Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. (James 4:4)*

*Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever. (John 2:15-17)*

*If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. (John 15:18-20)*

*That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love. (Ephesians 4:14-16)*

### **Introduction**

The truth of Jesus Christ received and obeyed is intended to set its believers apart from the world system. It’s able to set them free from the powers of darkness of this world so that they can model the values and actions of their Savior within that system as a glorifying witness to God’s saving and transformational power. (John 8:32; Romans 8; Galatians 5; Colossians 2; Philippians 2; Titus 2:11-15; James 1:26-27; 1 John 2)

In the United States, however, the organizational structure of the body of Christ suppresses the ability of the church to overcome the morally sickening effects of the pollution within the global system or world. Her spiritual immune system is weakened because of its connection to a second head, the U.S. government. Whether you realize it or accept it or not, this head often programs the body with moral values diametrically opposed to her only true head, the Lord Jesus Christ. When the mouths of pastors and bible teachers/preachers are suppressed and unable to speak the truth about any specific public policy, the body is unable to grow into the likeness of her head, Jesus Christ. In suppressing truth, she succumbs to the powers of darkness of this world on those points upon which she remains silent. 501(c)(3)-ism even has the power to cause good men to call evil good, and good, evil. Because of this suppression of truth in the

pulpits, it seems that most people don't even know that they should care that this Constitutional Republic is in the process of being destroyed from within.

This message is a hard one to deliver because most of my beloved brothers and sisters in Christ are actively involved in 501(c)(3) churches. I don't question the sincerity of many of them. I'm not preaching down at anyone involved in a 501(c)(3) church. It's only been about 5 years since I even became aware of the 501(c)(3) issue. Before that time, I had noticed some of the negative effects of 501(c)(3)-ism on the church; however, I had no idea that this agreement was their underlying cause. At this point I stand outside to doors of the 501(c)(3) church with my Lord, knocking and calling her to repent so that I can fellowship with her once again. (Revelation 3:14-22; 18:1-8)

The truth of this message should be taken independently of your thoughts, feelings and opinions of me and my qualification to deliver it. In that day when we see the Lord, we will be unable to blame any stubborn, prideful, rebellious refusal to heed an honest call to repentance on the shortcomings of anyone else. Look at any attack of your heart upon me and or this message as a reflection of your personal guilt in knowingly participating in idolatrous 501(c)(3)-ism.

### **501(c)(3) and revival**

If we truly want revival in the body of Christ in America, we must lay the axe to the root of our evil. That root is the love of money nourished by the 501(c)(3) agreements that the leadership of the body of Christ has made with the IRS. The fruit of this root is seen in the antichristian values increasingly evident both inside and outside the professing church due to the fact that a 501(c)(3) religious organization is suppressed from speaking the truth on issues of public policy if the truth goes against clearly defined public policy. Professing themselves to be wise financial stewards, 501(c)(3) religious organizations have, I effect, changed the truth of God into a lie and worshipped and served created things like the IRS and tax deductible gifts and perks more than their Creator. As a result of this suppression of truth by members of the body of Christ that know better, antichristian values and the sins of the flesh and spirit are currently flourishing within the body. The judgment of God is imminent upon the church as a result of our failure to hold the truth in righteousness. (Romans 1:18-32; 1 Peter 4:17; 1 Corinthians 10:14, 11:32; Revelation 2:20-23, 3:14-22)

The current sad state of affairs in the U.S. church is that any professing Christian who understands the limitations imposed upon the body of Christ by 501(c)(3) IRS guidelines and continues to support its suppression of the truth in matters of public policy is no friend of God. They are living in an unrepentant state of apostate idolatry. Also, any professing Christian who understands the limitations imposed upon the body of Christ by 501(c)(3) IRS guidelines and ignores these limitations by speaking and doing things forbidden by IRS rules, is committing fraud in receiving the direct and indirect benefits of 501(c)(3) incorporation while disregarding the agreed upon terms of their receipt. There is simply no way to rightfully justify 50(c)(3)-ism. It's idolatry that must be repented of.

As Proverbs 17:17 says, “a friend loveth at all times”. 501(c)(3) religious organizations called churches aren’t always free to obey God even though they say Jesus is their Lord. A true friend, however, loves at all times, even when love isn’t financially convenient or expedient. Yes, as difficult as it is to accept, “501(c)(3)-ites” are God’s enemies rather than his friends.

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I truly fear that in spite of their evangelistic efforts, 501(c)(3)-ites will be asked to leave God’s presence when they see him in his glorious holiness as he is. (Matthew 7:21-23)

501(c)(3)-ites have knowingly surrendered their Constitutional right and moral responsibility under God to expose immoral, unjust, illegal, un-Constitutional public policies, legislation and political candidates; as well as their right and responsibility to counter the evils of government by promoting righteous public policy, legislation and candidates for public office. Their salt has lost its saltiness and they are about to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. God has promised to begin judgment with the church. (Matthew 5:13; Colossians 4:6; 1 Peter 4:17; 1 Corinthians 11:32)

I say church leadership lives in apostasy because they should be aware of the false, idolatrous nature of the 501(c)(3) agreements that they have made. They have incorporated the living organism known as the church, the body of Christ, as a non-profit religious organization accountable to the dictates of corporate law and IRS regulations. Because they should know better, they’re accountable for this decision and it’s ramification upon both church and state. (James 4:17) The average church member isn’t likely to be aware of this issue, however. If someone isn’t aware that what they are doing or supporting is wrong, this isn’t imputed to them as sin.

Church leaders, however, who know how to play church by IRS rules, are accountable to God for this idolatry and it’s debilitating moral effects on our nation. Pulpits silent in the face of corrupt, unrighteous, illegal/un-Constitutional public policy have led America to the precipice of destruction she’ll reap for her immense deceit, fraud, theft, violence, greed, selfishness, covetousness, violence, and murder her government has sown. 501(c)(3)-ism is a corrupt religion because it prevents the body of Christ from keeping herself unspotted from the world system. (James 1:26-27) There have been very few dissenting moral voices from church leadership in the past decades that have been selfless and courageous enough to expose the fullness of America’s treacherous socio-political deceit and great whoredom and to call this great whore to repentance.

### **Apostate leadership placing the church under false headship**

Apostasy is a prideful defection or falling away from truth. The scripture says that “Pride *goeth* before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall. Better *it is to be* of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.” (Proverbs 16:18-19)

How is this truth related to 501(c)(3)-ism?

A portion of the tax deductible gifts refunded to 501(c)(3)-ites is shared by those prideful enough to agree to remain silent in the face of U.S. public policy that contradicts the commands and principles of the word of God.

Apostasy isn't a state that can't be recovered from if the apostate will allow the truth of the word of God to convict them of sin and then honestly respond in humble repentance, confession of sin and submission to God. (2 Chronicles 7:14, 1 John 1:8-10) The entire leadership of the 501(c)(3) U.S. churches, on both the Protestant and Catholic sides, lives in an unrepentant state of apostate idolatry due to its embrace of false heads.

How can this be so? Churches with someone or something other than God as their head? Well, sounds ludicrous, however, consider that Roman Catholics organize themselves under the dual headship of the Vatican and Papal Authority. Then, in addition to that foolishness, American Protestants organize themselves under the dual headship of the IRS arm of the U.S. Government as 501(c)(3) religious organizations as well as under Pastoral Authority. Neither of these two groups of professing Christians should speak against the other until they've removed the beam out of their own eye and made God's holy word, accurately taught and obeyed, as their sole authority.

Why does this place both groups in the condition of apostate idolatry? Because both groups, all other issues between them aside, have lost connection with the only true head of the church, the Lord Jesus Christ. They have fallen away from the truth, the Lord Jesus Christ. Only a proud man would think of allowing anyone else, including himself, to assume a role sanctioned for the Lord himself. Woe unto you!

Neither the Vatican, the Pope, the U.S. government, the IRS, nor any pastor is to exercise the role of authoritative head of the church that belongs solely to the Lord Jesus Christ. His servants are not called to be authorities, heads or lords exercising dominion over the body that they serve. (Matthew 20:20-28; 1 Peter 5:1-5; 2 Corinthians 1:24)

Authority in the body of mutually submissive members is vested in the proper interpretation and application of God's word. The living word of God, not man, is the authority within the body of Christ. Pastors are called to be humble, submissive servants of the body they serve. They are called to accurately teach the body the Holy Scripture; showing by word and example how that truth is to be lived out in this present age. They're called to lead the body they serve by accurately teaching God's word to the body and obeying that truth so that the body has a faithful Christ-like example to imitate or follow. (Hebrews 13:7-8) The authority they possess is found in the authoritative truth that they teach; not in a position that they fill. Their position entitles them to serve, not rule over/boss/exercise authority/exercise dominion or lord their position over their family in Christ.

A pastor that assumes the role of church authority has fashioned himself into an idol of preeminence in the body. Like Diotrephes, such men will reject those they feel threaten their dominion. (3 John 1:9-11) They may even employ evil tactics akin to government false flag terror in order to preserve and extend their lordship over the body. They may fabricate enemies out of friends of God and then publically attack this fabricated threat “from the devil” with scripture. Rather than face truth received from their perceived threat, their deceitful hearts turn on the person and they use diversionary tactics to avoid confessing and forsaking sins such as idolatry, deceit, greed, pride, and faithless fear. Such men come between God and his people by assuming the role of Christ as head of the church. They forget that the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is head of the church and fail to realize that the pastor is never said to be the head of anyone but his own wife. (Ephesians 5:23; Colossians 1:18)

Frankly, the religious organizations popularly called churches in the United States are self deceived friends of this world order. They hear the word of God but refuse to suffer the hardship that living in wholehearted obedience to its commands and principles would bring. (James 1:22)

Such groups falsely reason that they have circumvented accountability to God concerning this matter because they balance this disobedience with selective obedience in other areas. In general, American 501-c3 pastors rationalize that they’ve been faithful because they communicate a biblical view of God and promote church growth by exhorting others to give to the church and share the gospel with others. This, however, is only part of their teaching and preaching responsibility as God’s shepherds. The irresponsibility of the typical 501-c3 pastor lies in their failure to expose unbiblical, immoral, antichristian philosophies, policies and practices operative within government, business, education and service establishments because of their entanglement in the 501-c3 corporate religious system. As a result of this silence, many professing conservative evangelical Christians have been and are still being led away from devotion to the pure, heavenly wisdom of the Word of God into a lukewarm state. Many in the body are being corrupted; oftentimes unawares, by unbiblical philosophies and isms such as Capitalism, Neo-conservatism, Globalism, Zionism, Patriotism, Fascism, Socialism, Psychology, Thelema, “New Age“, Freemasonry, “Rock”, Satanism, and others.

## **Conclusion**

In conclusion, consider again why it’s wrong to be a 501(c)(3)-ite?

The church or body of Christ becomes unequally yoked and is committing spiritual adultery by incorporating under the authority of the state as a 501-c3 religious organization. (2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1)

501(c) (3) churches have agreed to abide by IRS rules exercising a degree of headship over what the organization says and or does. Specifically, they’ve agreed that the practices associated with their sincerely held beliefs won’t go against clearly defined

and well established United States public policy. They also agree that they won't participate to any extent in a political campaign for or against any candidate for public office; including the publishing or distribution of statements.

Proverbs 17:17 tells us that a friend loveth at all times. Friend is defined in Webster's 1828 as "One who is attached to another by affection; one who entertains for another sentiments of esteem, respect and affection, which lead him to desire his company, and to seek to promote his happiness and prosperity; opposed to foe or enemy." Enmity is defined as "the quality of being an enemy; the opposite of friendship; ill will; hatred; unfriendly dispositions; malevolence. It expresses more than aversion and less than malice, and differs from displeasure in denoting a fixed or rooted hatred, whereas displeasure is more transient." These definitions make it clear that people are either in a condition of friendship or enmity with God. Sadly, world friendly 501(c) (3) churches aren't loyal friends of God. They give an appearance of true godliness by forbidding certain things and practices which may or may not even be forbidden by the commands and principles of scripture; however, due to nature of their 501(c)(3) agreements, they can't remain loyal in the more costly matters of the faith.

Jesus taught that his friends are not of the world system which will hate and persecute them because of their non-conformity to its antichristian rule set. (Romans 12:1-2) They obey Christ rather than live in conformity with the immoral values, antichristian philosophies, and ungodly things found among his enemies who love the world system. (John 15:10-20; 1 John 2:15-17) They endure hardship because of their commitment to truth. (2 Timothy 2:1-4)

God's friends aren't silent accomplices in the face of destructive evil. They love their righteous Creator and his creation. This protective love motivates them to watch, pray and expose the destructive plans, beliefs and actions of the antichristian dark side and call its members to repentance toward God and faith in Christ. (Psalm 94; Ephesians 5:1-11)

Church leaders, I exhort you to sacrificially lead the body in repentance on this matter by repenting of 501(c)(3)-ism and take the necessary steps required to dissolve the idolatrous agreement you have with the U.S. government. This exhortation is based upon the authority of the word of God quoted earlier in this message and in the scriptures below:

*Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;<sup>3</sup> And did all eat the same spiritual meat; And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ. But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness. Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.<sup>10</sup> Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. Wherefore let him that*

*thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry. I speak as to wise men; judge ye what I say. The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? For we being many are one bread, and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread. Behold Israel after the flesh: are not they which eat of the sacrifices partakers of the altar? What say I then? that the idol is any thing, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols is any thing? But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils. Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils. Do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? are we stronger than he? (1 Corinthians 10:1-22)*

*Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. Receive us; we have wronged no man, we have corrupted no man, we have defrauded no man. (2 Corinthians 6:14-7:2)*

*And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. <sup>5</sup>For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities. Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double. How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow. Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her. (Revelation 18:1-8)*

*And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God; I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches. (Revelation 3:14-22)*