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INTRODUCTION

"...Lets have a look at Ezekiel 39v25 Now when you read some of these scriptures if you're bent one way you can say it means this and if you're bent another way you can say that it means that...'

(From talk by Pastor Victor Samoilenko 22nd June 2008)

This is an extract from a talk by Pastor Victor Samoilenko. He believes the scripture below can mean anything, but has decided it is all about the church.

EXTRACTED FROM KJV

EZEKIEL 39V25-29 25 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for my holy name; 26 After that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me, when they dwelt safely in their land, and none made [them] afraid. 27 When I have brought them again from the people, and gathered them out of their enemies' lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations; 28 Then shall they know that I [am] the LORD their God, which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them anymore there.

How can this mean anything? How can a senior Pastor in the RCI be allowed to make such blasphemous remarks concerning the scriptures and get away with it? Apparently today it is possible.

If the word of the Lord can mean anything then God is as confused as we are:

It is not just that Victor has a different emphasis on scripture. People have been put out of fellowship in Townsville for defending the ministry handed down to us by Pastor Lloyd Longfield.

This document shows clearly that the Word of God is under attack in the RCI. Pastor Lloyd is no longer active and the backbone of doctrine which protected the fellowship has dissipated.

We no longer have an immune system for dealing with every wind of doctrine which comes our way. If the word of God can mean anything then what use is it? A highly modified, altered Gospel is being preached in the RCI Townsville, this gospel discards the promises, the prophets, most of Christs parables and relegates Revelations to the realms of fantasy.

The major concern is that this Gospel has found a nest in Melbourne.

SUMMARY OF CONTENTS

This paper deals with events which have occurred in the Townsville Revival Centre over the last few years under Pastor Victor Samoilenko's pastorship.

1. COLIN AND FAYE REEVES

This couple were put out of fellowship for challenging incorrect doctrine

2. PVS TALKS

Four of Pastor Victor's talks are presented. In them He openly attacks the doctrine by:

- Dismissing the grounding of doctrine and teaching Pastor Lloyd began in the Word.
- Relegating the book of revelations and bible prophesy to an irrelevant side issue.
- Promoting the feelings of our born again experience over Gods Word as the authority in the Church
- Denying that scripture is solid and designed by God to be understood by his people
- Indicating that Pastor Lloyds ministry was doctrinally inacurate and divisive

3. DOCTRINAL IRREGULARITIES

Faye and Colin Reeves have been put out of fellowship for tackling some of the doctrinal concerns addressed in this section. The topic headings relate to points made from the TRC platform. These points are cross referenced with the PVS Talks where indicated

4. THE PARABLES OF CHRIST

The parables of Christ are thought by many as Aesop type fables containing some simple moral directive for living a better life. For this very reason most of them are ignored because as a moral message they make no sense whatsoever.

They are in fact enlightening insights into the plan of God encompassing the Promises made to Abraham, the declarations of the Prophets and the revelations of Jesus Christ. They cannot be understood otherwise.

5. DIARY OF MAIN EVENTS

This is the chronological summary of main events concerning the Ansics since their 2006 arrival in Townsville. It provides context and insight into the reasons why and the methods used to bring about the changes in doctrine which are being introduced.

1. <u>COLIN AND FAYE REEVES</u>

Faye Reeves rang me while I was with the family at a birthday party for friends in the assembly. The Reeves had recently been put out of fellowship; I was of course aware of this and the reasons why they were dismissed.

Because I knew why they were no longer in fellowship I was very sympathetic towards them. They had been put out for challenging incorrect doctrine coming from the TRC platform.

Faye wanted me to pass on a note she had prepared for you. For the past year, since my family had been temporarily put out of fellowship, I knew there would be little backup or support from you.

Since issues came to a head in early 2008, I have allowed the Word of God and your father's ministry to be slandered without doing anything practical. I have remained quiet, said nothing and allowed wrong things to happen.

When I read what the Reeves wanted me to pass on, I don't cry often, but I felt ashamed. When the heat is on I know how to hide and protect my self interest. Some people do not have this skill and speak from their heart.

When Faye perceived something was wrong, in her naivety she stood up and asked questions to the appropriate people whom she presumed would answer them. There is no mood in the TRC for questions which contradict the 'new doctrine,' which is being introduced.

CHRONOLOGY OF DISMISSAL

Last month, (March09), Faye felt compelled to address what she considered to be critical errors in doctrine. She directly approached the member of oversight specifically concerned, Ben Sue, by way of a brief written note

It was delivered in point form directly to his letter box together with a clarifying photo copied article from Pastor Lloyd Longfield. The article is not presented here but it was extracted from the 1996 edition of VOR and concerns 'Israel the bride.'

The four written points she wanted Ben to consider are provided below in her own words:

- 1. Israel was not invited to the wedding because she was the bride.
- 2. Yes, Israel was divorced; however the divorce was annulled by the death of Jesus the Son of God. The death of Jesus was to be used as an instrument to

restore Israel.

- 3. Read Psalm 89 verses 1,2,3 & 4, about the mercies of the Lord forever, the covenant etc.
- 4. Read Matthew 13 verse 44 about the treasure hid in the field, which was lost, hid, found and sold for a price.

These points constitute all that was written by Faye and although they may not mean much out of context, they are relevant within the backdrop of what has been said publicly by the Townsville oversight.

Regardless of whether or not Faye had grounds for concerns what she wrote and communicated to Ben was not rude, heretical, or damaging to the church and yet it was the delivery of this brief note and article, which precipitated the response by Victor to offer the Reeves an ultimatum.

Ben is currently a senior member of TRC oversight and a member of the Revival Centres for approximately thirty years and from time to time has acted as 2IC. He is not a novice and it is completely appropriate that Faye would go directly to him in matters of scripture.

I would have thought such direct straightforwardness would have provided an ideal opportunity for Ben to take out the scriptures, establish what is being said or asked and then to act as a guide in the Word to correct and/or agree with Faye.

Instead of engaging Faye she was hand-passed as a problem, to Pastor Victor who now resides on the Gold Coast.

My involvement began when I received a call from Faye telling me about the note she had sent. She informed me that in response to the note, Malcolm (oversight, possibly 2IC), not Ben would be calling around to discuss the concerns and issues being raised.

Faye wanted to talk to me and obtain advice on various scriptures. She was nervous, not because she thought she had done anything wrong, but simply because confrontations of any sort can be emotional and she was worried that if she became emotional she would have difficulty communicating what she wanted to say.

I assured her that Malcolm seemed to be a fair and level headed bloke and that there was no need for concern. I further added that if she did find things too difficult, there was no urgency to resolve matters in one night and Malcolm would understand and defer discussions for another day. A third party, I volunteered my services, could join the discussion.

Faye had no reason to fear; Malcolm's visit was completed in less than three minutes. Faye and Colin actually thought that Malcolm was visiting to discuss scriptures. That is how naive they were. They thought someone was going to engage the legitimate questions and concerns raised.

Malcolm was 'merely' the errand boy for a source he would not disclose and told them they were not welcome back to the TRC until they had spoken to Pastor Victor. Colin asked why they were being put out. Malcolm said he did not know...he just started a new job...he was too busy to get involved, etc.

(If I were asked to put someone out of fellowship without being told exactly why, I would supply the phone number they needed to ring and let them do their own dirty work lest I be a partaker of the consequences to that brother or sister).

Since Malcolm appeared to be directing the conversation to Faye who was the originator of the questions to Ben, Colin asked if he was also out of fellowship. The answer from Malcolm was, 'you're a couple aren't you?' In other words, 'yes' your both out; Colin by association.

If I had to provide names of five people who are the most unassuming and inoffensive individuals I have known Colin would be in that five. I am sure he would make it into other top humble lists as well.

Colin rang Pastor Vic and was informed that they had shown disdain for the oversight and would only be allowed back in fellowship if they were prepared to believe without question what they were told by him or the rest of the oversight. Given the context, Colin was unprepared to make this commitment and so was unable to remain in fellowship.

When I spoke to Colin afterwards he thanked me for my help said good-bye and informed me he had put himself out of fellowship. I enquired about what was said between them and knowing the history, the lack of reason to put this brother and sister out of fellowship and after becoming aware of the circumstances in which he thought he had put himself out, I told Colin that in no way was he or his wife out of fellowship with me or my family.

Unable to find just cause Victor provided Colin with an ultimatum which no Revivalist worth their salt could possibly agree to and then announced to all that 'they left us!'

Victor once revealed to me that apparently your father insisted that he 'pledge his loyalty to you'. You must be aware of this Simon, Victor says you were present. Victor went on to explain that heroically, he stood his ground and said 'I can't Pastor Lloyd'

Your father then apparently went red with rage slammed down his fist and insisted on this pledge, to which Victor replied, 'I can only pledge allegiance to the Lord.' For some reason Victor wanted me to know this. Since you were at that meeting you are privy to the context in which whatever was said, was said.

One thing I think we do know is that there was no ultimatum given by Pastor Lloyd because Victor is still in fellowship, (Unless he recanted later). All things being correct it is ironic that Victor was unable to understand why Colin would not give him and his oversight, virtually the same pledge.

Victor's <u>only</u> supporting evidence for the accusation of 'disdain' was to cite an incident where, 'She [*Faye*] did not once look at me during my talk.' The talk referred to was during his Townsville visit in February.

Interestingly a couple of weeks previous Steve, (oversight) also told Colin that he had noticed that Faye did not look up once at Ps Victor during the same talk. When Colin asked him how he knew Faye wasn't looking where she should, Steve said he was sitting right behind her.

Colin was amused by this and wanted to know how he could tell what she was looking at if he was sitting behind her. Steve provided corroborating evidence from Angelo (oversight), who he said was sitting side on and so had complete enfilade on Faye and observed exactly the same thing.

Did either of them get the joke? The only thing proven was that neither Steve nor Angelo were paying any attention to Victor, both being preoccupied with what Faye wasn't doing. Obviously they didn't get the joke because this damming evidence must have been tabled for discussion at some point.

Why is it necessary to write to you concerning such trivial detail? The reason is because when Colin asked in what way disdain by them had been demonstrated this is the best that could be offered by way of example.

It could be pointed out that perhaps the evidence for disdain is just one piece amongst a whole serious of abuses by the Reeves towards the fellowship. Perhaps there is an entire dossier on Colin and Faye

If this is true then the lack of eye contact by Faye towards Victor must be the most condemning piece of critical evidence in the entire dossier. Otherwise, when Victor decided to support his accusation he would have used another entry from the file.

Assuming he played his best card, you can only wonder at how trivial was the rest of the file?

QUESTIONING THE GIFTS

Victor also accused Faye, to her husband, of being a liar and not an honourable person.

The file which provided Victor with the evidence for this accusation is under the heading 'Questioning the Gifts.'

Faye makes herself an easy target at times because she says simply what is on her mind. If she has a question or a problem with someone she will go directly to the source to resolve the conflict. Some people may find this straightforwardness uncomfortable, but from what I understand of the scriptures there is a lot to commend this approach for.

Faye has asked me direct question concerning scriptures. If I know the answer and tell her she accepts it, even if it means changing her own thinking. If I don't know the answer and simply say that I don't know, she'll accept that too and try another avenue.

If however you lie or pretend you know something when you don't, like most of us she will see through this deceit, but unlike most who will give up in the face of guile, she will persist until resolution is complete. A sister recently gave a prophesy in which at one point she said '...we should not question Gods gifts.' This instantly raised a question in my mind of whether she was referring to the gifts as in the 'spiritual gifts,' or gifts of a more general nature which God gives to us.

I didn't bother pursuing this any further, however Faye was concerned and so when the meeting had finished she went to the lady and asked her what had been meant. The sister and Faye have known each other for years, well before either moved to Townsville.

Paul's instruction is that the gifts should be 'Judged' by those listening. This could mean weighing yourself against what is being communicated by God or, as well as, how what is being said compares with scripture itself. Clearly, the Word of God is the authority and not what someone may say, even if it is during the course of the operation of the spiritual gifts.

The sister in question told Faye that her thought during the 'gift' was referencing the gifts which are generally and freely given by God and was not an affirmation of the infallibility of what is said during the operation of the spiritual gifts.

Anyone reading this may think 'simple problem solved simply'. They would be wrong. Someone over hearing the conversation or part thereof decided that the sister was upset and dutifully reported it back to Steve (oversight). Steve took up the cause and escalated it, he talked to the 'woman' and deciding that there was a problem rang her husband who was visiting in Melbourne and told him his wife was in dire straits.

It should be mentioned that Jenni was talking to the sister when Faye came and asked her the question. Jenni was present the entire time but was never consulted as a witness. She is a firsthand witness however who was present before and after the conversation.

After Faye had left, the sister and Jenni happily resumed their conversation. Jenni will state that at no time did the woman appear distressed or in tears as was claimed later.

This 'incident' was tabled for discussion by the oversight. Angelo, as someone with fourth hand knowledge of the event, took it on himself to deal with the situation and straighten Faye out.

He took Faye into the office and told her she was not to speak to people about such things and that if she had any question concerning the gifts she should speak to him.

Faye was upset during the meeting by the way she was treated. She is a lady in her fifties and has been a faithful member of the RCI for decades. She had in her own mind done nothing wrong; in fact she had followed Paul's directive concerning the resolution of conflict between brethren and was now being dressed down by a member of oversight with handed down knowledge of an inconsequential conversation that had nothing to do with anyone outside those present.

Faye found the approach by Angelo, who could never be accused of excessive diplomacy, ham fisted and bolshy. She walked out of the meeting and composed an email which she sent to the Townsville oversight including Victor. In the email, she said she will not be coming back to fellowship until Angelo apologied.

Several weeks later Faye was still out of fellowship. After I heard the ultimatum I spoke to her and

tried to explain the funny side. The situation she had found herself in immediately reminded me of the oath a band of 40 Jews had taken not to eat until they had killed Paul. Nothing more is said about them and we continue with a description of Paul's activities over the next few years.

So I said to Faye, '...are you telling me the only thing the Townsville oversight have to do to stop you coming back to meetings is not apologise?' The penny dropped. As much as I like Angelo the chances of him apologising are Antarctic remote.

After I had spoken to Faye and on another occasion Steve had spoken also, Faye swallowed her pride and came back to fellowship.

(I ask you, where is the manly chivalry in all this? How hard would it have been for gentlemen to have resolved this and allow a lady to keep her dignity?)

Whether or not you believe that the oversight should ever apologise for their actions, just in case this admission of weakness leads to the collapse of the entire system, it may have been a conciliatory gesture to at least confirm that a complete mountain had been made out of an incomplete mole-hill.

During Colins dismissal discussion, Pastor Victor stated that Faye was in actual fact a liar and a dishonest person because she had broken her word by coming back into fellowship without receiving an apology.*I pause to give you an opportunity to think about this*.....

I don't know what I would have said or done if that had been my wife being talked about, but to his credit Colin did not bite and give Victor the ammunition he was looking for.

CONCLUSION/SUMMARY

Quite frankly I don't know what Faye was looking at during Victor's talk which gave occasion to accuse her of disdain. Maybe she was reading the bible, I often resort to this practice myself when I can no longer bear what is being said. An audio copy of this particular talk is available, but I have also typed quotes from it, with comments, in the 'PVS -talk' section.

As stated earlier Faye is honest and straight forward. If she approaches oversight with questions of concern from scripture she expects an honest reply. Even if that honest reply is 'I don't know'.

Faye's questioning offended an oversight which has been steered away from the Revivalist understanding that the Word of God is the authority in the Church. In this respect they can be excused to an extent, since Victor is often very convincing.

The TRC oversight is made up of men who have been around for a long time and who have access to the scriptures like anyone else. At the very least you would expect that when they do hear the Word of God they listen and are able to respond in a meaningful way.

The oversight could not deal with the doctrine issues raised by Faye. She could not be refuted and so these issues became points of embarrassment for an oversight no longer trusting in the written

word. The only course of action is to remove people who do question legitimately or shut them up. Hence Victor gave the ultimatum *'believe what you are told,'* If you want to remain in fellowship.

If there is another explanation as to why the Reeves where first put out of fellowship by Malcolm and then given this appalling ultimatum by Victor it needs to be declared now, because the Reeves don't even know. If there is something else please let it be explained why it wasn't brought to the table when they were dismissed.

Failing this, every single Revivalist who reads this should be prepared to give the Reeves their full support, otherwise what sort of pussy livered Christians have we become.

2. <u>PVS TALKS</u>

(PVS-TALKS: TALKS CD AVAILABLE ON REQUEST)

A significant change occurred immediately following the Melbourne Rally in 2008. Victor became far more confident and obvious in his opposition to your fathers work. In particular the prophetic utterances which Ps Lloyd understood and had seen as so vital in our ongoing understanding.

Immediately prior the 2008 rally and the trip you and he made to Africa, you were given a short but concise outline of the prophetic message by Ps Ian McGregor.

You were asked to consider scriptures such as Jeremiah31 where the Lord stops heaven and earth to bear witness of what his plan and intentions were going to be and Romans 9-11 where Paul discusses the context of the Church within Gods plan. Stating clearly that the Church has not replaced Israel but entered into the camp of Israel as a grafted branch.

After coming back from convention, Victor presented two talks on successive Sundays. In these talks he openly attacks the doctrine by:

- Dismissing the grounding of doctrine and teachings Pastor Lloyd began in the Word.
- Relegating revelations and prophesy to an irrelevant side issue.
- Promoting our personal born again experience over Gods Word as the authority in the Church
- Denying that scripture is solid and designed by God to be understood by His people.
- Indicating that your fathers ministry was misinformed, doctrinally inaccurate and divisive.

Threatening that people who persist with 'discussions' will be considered too hot to handle and dealt with. (The Reeves are a direct example of this).

Extracts from Victor's talks are given below. I have provided a time stamp (min:sec), which reference the location on the audio for purposes of cross referencing. All the talks are available for anyone to listen to in order to provide context for Victors words.

June 15th 2008

5:00 I got an email from a pastor a few months ago and he suggested we look up a few scriptures in Ezekiel 39 and Romans 11 along the lines of prophesy and so we are going to do that today...but not putting this guy these people down at all because their wonderful people.

9:34 We have this preconceived idea, and I've tried to find it in scriptures, that somewhere there's going to be a restoration, I've looked up the word restoration and I can't find the word anywhere, what I can see is that we've been called to rule and reign and whatever that means!

10:12 And whether we are going to be ruling and reigning on earth, frankly I doubt it. Small place small planet big heaven small earth. My understanding is that number one there is a war in heaven, Satan is cast out polluted the earth the Lord says flesh and blood cannot enter the kingdom of God it is impossible for flesh and blood to inherit the kingdom of God. In this talk Victor refers to a paper that he was asked to read, (Simon this of course is Pastor Ian McGregor's, which you read and said you would encourage Victor to read on your trip away with him last year).

Victor begins the talk by stating that he had read the paper and then starts off by instantly dismissing what was written but wants to make it clear that it's just bad doctrine, even though he has nothing personal against them.

The restoration of Israel is stated, by the prophets, as a matter of honour for the Lord, Jesus describes it in parables and in the book of Revelations.

He was asked to look up the restoration which doesn't appear however the word restore appears frequently and other words which clearly gives us an idea of Gods intent for Israel.

[Revelations5v10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth].

This may seem moot, however it was the Roman Catholic Church which fictionalised the scriptures and turned them into fantasy.

Everything in scripture can be understood, otherwise why write them and why say that it is a blessing to read them?

Revelations, as abstract as the imagery may seem becomes clear in the context of the rest of scripture. It is not an excursion into the fifth dimension. 12:00 We see that there is to be a war on earth a continuation of the Cain and Abel story.....and whether or not we know of something that is happening in the millennium, goodness knows it might be something happening in heaven!....and minor bits happening here...who knows!

14:20 'Speaking of which some things are hard to understand... Wrestling with scriptures to our own destruction.' [2Pet3:16]

15:00 The thing that keeps us together is the born again experience and walking in the Holy Spirit...This is the reason why we haven't been shaken as much...What we wrestled with in the past and came to the wrong conclusions concerning prophetic idea's and understandings and we plastered it all over our ministry...but this didn't disturb us because we had an understanding of our born again experience. The brief that Victor was given to read, in order to help him understand things a bit better, were straight forward and clear.

How can anything be understood if the basics aren't understood. The prophets, the parables and Words of Jesus

And as for his intentionally vague allusions:

The blood of Jesus speaks better things than that of Abel.... calling for the redemption of Israel and not vengeance to their destruction.

Happening in Heaven? What is this alternate dimension? Some Catholic construct? From scripture we only know of the heavens before the flood, the heavens that now are, and Paul's 3^{rd} heaven yet to come, wherein dwells righteousness. Of course the Church has a foretaste as the Kingdom of Heaven is within you.

The case is being built that the scriptures he was asked to read are spurious. They are hard to understand or he just doesn't understand them.

The Words of God are not our bread, they're poisonous. I doubt whether Peter was suggesting we stay away from understanding

This is Pastor Lloyd's ministry he is talking about! What has kept us together, as a group, is a respect for God's Word. The born again experience is shared by us and also every other Pentecostal organisation which your father rightly decided not to associate with.

Even though these other organisations may be baptising people by the 1,000's with fire and water, here and overseas, your father said 'good luck to them' but we're not going to embrace them because 'their doctrine is bad.' **15:53** We are not going to be side tracked and wrestle with things that are really open to argument and conjecture.

We didn't join with the AOG, because your father declared the 'full council of God' and not just bits and pieces and he knew the AOG wouldn't.

But now we have finally seen that all we were doing was 'wrestling' and getting ourselves 'side tracked.' I wonder how all those people back in the 70's, 80's and 90's managed to come to the RCI and get baptised.

When I arrived in RCI in the mid 70's I'm sure I remember speaking in Tongues as the necessary evidence of receiving the Holy Spirit was considered conjecture by 'main stream' and even a fair few in RCI.

Speaking in tongues has never been straight forward to the vast majority of Pentecost.

It's a good thing we didn't yield for the sake of unity.

16:00 We are not going to do that to our own destruction...we are not going to destroy ourselves our thinking and our fellowship.....Seeing you have been told these things before be not led away in the error of wickedness....from the amplified, which the unstable twist etc...and misconstrue to there own destruction like they do with all scriptures.....no nastiness meant for those that do.

17:49 Lets look at some of these ideas...You can twist scripture to whatever way you like....1,000's of Christian churches and each of them sees things differently.

This is just too horrible for words.

We are still in the context of Ps Ian's brief to Victor. Is Ps Ian now in the error of wickedness?

Pastor Lloyd's ministry has sown destruction?

It has been a continuing Revelation, as your father always declared. As we remain faithful and appreciative of His Words the vision is increased and we see further and further.

'No nastiness' meant by Victor to Pastors Ian and Lloyd who were probably unaware of how wicked and destructive they have been.

We're just one of these Churches with a different twist on things?

Ironically as we chop, ignore and undervalue scripture the more like them we become.

They are all pretty much alike especially Pentecost.

This IS the concision!

18:15 There are 1000's of churches and each see's things differently we just aren't going to go there in this fellowship! It just aint going to happen. Go somewhere else!!!....[18:47]..we aren't going to fight and struggle with things that are absolutely just incidentals....and yet some people think they're fundamentals.

20:29 Revelations...this is the first resurrection. It doesn't talk about any other restoration . The 2^{nd} resurrection is not the prize.

The call is if you don't believe Victor go somewhere else. We were given that ultimatum and so did the Reeves. Ps Ian McGregor, to whom this is addressed, has been given this ultimatum too, although Vic is not in a position to enforce it.., yet.

In Jeremiah31 the Lord makes a bold promise to Israel declaring that the seed of Jacob will forever remain a nation in his sight. He even calls heaven and earth to bear witness that while the sun, moon and stars exist this will be so! The Lord then repeats this emphatic promise immediately after to ensure there is no mistake concerning his intention.

Victor would describe this as 'absolutely just incidental....' I would guess that if the Lord stops heaven and earth to bear witness we are looking at something fairly fundamental.

Is something incidental just because it doesn't seem to have an immediate material payoff?

This is the Laodician doctrine of Pentecostal materialism today. If Gods word isn't able to help you get a new Job, make your business more successful or benefit your life now, then it's not worth concerning yourself with.

The Laodician church was the only church that actually managed to make the Lord spew up.

The confusion Victor seems to be in is over a simple understanding of resurrection and restoring of Israel.

The first and second resurrections have nothing to do with what God has promised to the seed of Jacob which 'will remain forever a nation.

The resurrection is of the dead. The restoration is of a nation which God has set as a witness. His intent is to be glorified through his ability to finish the work he has begun, (Isaiah43,44). You are my witness Israel fear not and through you I will be glorified.

20:38 there is no second prize the first resurrection is the prize.

It's not about a second prize. You cannot blow your salvation and decide you want eternal life by being in Israel.

If you live in an Israel nation you will benefit from the blessings which the Lord showers upon them, but it will be the nation that continues into perpetuity not you.

If you want to call this a second prize go ahead.

21:03 there's going to be a ruling and reigning...who knows there might be a ruling and reigning to try and re-establish. Somehow the 3rd heaven that's been cast out...Who knows!!!...Who knows it might be ruling and reigning in the eternities of heaven after all there was a mighty war in heaven! Who knows?! I don't know...This is subject to incredible coffee table debate and we don't want to bring it into the church.

When the Holy Roman Church hijacked Gods Words they turned everything into a superstition. Revelations became a book about things which cannot be understood.

Ignorance is the dark room where superstition flourishes. The Roman Church used this darkness, smoke and mirrors to separate man from Gods word. Revelations 9: 2 And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace....

What came out of the bottomless pit and what's going back into it before the millennium?....Mystery Babylon mother of harlots.

Who is it now who is throwing a cloud over Gods word? According to Victor God's Word is so speculative we're not even going to discuss it.

Revelations is not an excursion into the fifth dimension it is an excursion into the promises of Abraham, the Words of the prophets, the parables and sayings of Jesus.

This is why John declares three verses into Revelations:

'Blessed [is] he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein.' Who's right? 23:52 There is an argument put that the OT sacrifice is going to be resurrected in the millennium when sacrifice is given again and that there is going to be an out pouring not as it is now but like it was in the days of King David. Well king David was privy to that out pouring but it didn't stop him from doing the wrong thing.

There is no need for two salvations there is one salvation we are the first fruit Israel the harvest.

We are the invited guests to a wedding. The bride is Israel. The guests always arrive before the bride but the day is still all about her.

The New Jerusalem is a bride prepared. Those in the first resurrection are pillars in the Temple of the Lord. The Temple is not the New Jerusalem, but it is in the centre of it. As guests to the wedding we have arrived beforehand and having tasted of the powers of the world to come are already seated in heavenly places in Christ Jesus as his body, and as the first fruit, our relationship with the husband is already consummated. The church is already espoused (married) to one husband and as such is not the bride to come. This is not idle conjecture.

This isn't just merely about whether you believe or understand the descendents of the Anglo Saxon's are the lost tribes. This is about how much of the bible do we decide to ignore! Or worse!

JUNE 22nd 2009

This talk follows on from the previous week which was interrupted by a brother who had a seizure.

After which Victor threw down the Bible across the stage and said "let's talk about something more important!"

7:40 "Now I beseech you brethren by the name of our lord JC that you all say the same thing and that there be no divisions among you, and that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and judgement" Now this was quoted to me not so long ago by a [1Corinthians1:10]. Now this was a fellow in our fellowship and my reply back to this was by who's mind and by who's judgement....... Yours?...Mine?...

8:43 We are to speak the same as Jesus so we better get to know what he says what he's saying and what his mind is...fellowship is with his Son

14:53 we have also a more sure word of prophesy......no prophesy of no private interpretation... [1Peter1v19] '

16:10 'The sure word of prophesy' is our wonderful born again experience

How about the Word of God?

AMEN

The sure word of prophesy is that what the Lord says he will do he will do.

This is not restricted to our born again experience.

John 16:12 "I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. ¹³But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, **and he will tell you what is yet to come.**" **17:12** We see thru a glass darkly and that's all it is

17:22 We have a sure word of prophesy and this is it our born again experience. These other things maybe we're spot on, maybe they're not or maybe we're not in a position to know what is spot on and what isn't. But what we do understand is that we have the more sure word of prophesy and it's in you and it's in me

22:03 the situation where people who move into the fellowship from the outside and they have baggage. The ministers are there to help them with their baggage...22:33 but at the same time if any of these move in who are such who are now speaking perverse things and wanting to bring in instability then the same oversight has the right to say sorry but you're too hot to handle you better go somewhere else:

28:17 Ezekiel 39v25 now when you read some of these scriptures if you're bent one way you can say it means this and if you're bent another way you can that it means that. But these are things which are not to be divisionary. Jesus never came and spoke division except the division of the Holy Ghost and salvation and righteousness brings of itself. The inference is that just because we don't see everything, then let's be content with seeing nothing. This is anti- scriptural and quite wrong and very misleading.

Pastors are supposed to direct the flock to the Word of God. Not away from it. Our experience is the start not the end.

Rom15:4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

The 'baggage' is the understanding we have inherited faithfully from Pastor Lloyd.

Much of the Word of God has been whittled away in the TRC. Once you remove all the scriptures which are 'speculative' and not to be discussed, there's not too much left.

'Instability' is saying 'thus saith the Lord,' Victor has made it clear that the ministry we had faithfully received is perverse and has set his oversight up to deal with it.

The Reeves and others have been put out for this reason.

If the Word of God can mean anything then God is as confused as we are.

Again smoke and a cloud of doubt over the scriptures. Nothing is illuminated, our understanding is not expanded and Vision is not cleared.

Hebrews4:12 For the word of God [is] quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow...

Matthew10:34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword.

Unity in the Lord has nothing to do with how many people agree on the same thing.

We are told to be unified, but if the Word of God is sharper than anything and divides, how can we have unity?

This conflict is resolved by making the Word of God the authority in the Church. Pastor Lloyd understood this.

31:53 Some say there's going to be an outpouring of the HS in the millennium similar to that of king David's time. Well it didn't do king David much good...he wasn't a very nice person on occasions...

32:06 ...we won't talk about it it's not really worth it but in talks in Ezekiel 43-44 talks talks about an insinuation of sacrifice and this could be a lot of issues....that the restored nation will go back to sacrificing bulls and goats and all that...you can think like that if you want to....but it's not even worth the argument.

33:20 Jer31:31 what people are saying that in the millennium they will go back..'I find this even too hard to say'....but some think their will be another holy spirit

33:30 What people are saying is that in the millennium they're going to go back to the covenant that...I find this hard to say...(the resumption of animal sacrifices etc)

A lack of understanding leads to the conclusion that there are two salvations. There is one only and we are the first fruits, the invited guests, and Israel the second, the bride who arrives later.

Probably not a good idea to attack King David he was thought of fairly highly by the Lord.

A man after God's own heart!

The conclusion to Pastor Lloyd's ministry as outlined in the brief he was given to read was that 'it's not really worth even talking about'

The most spurious arguments are cited, concerning the return of sacrifice, which I've never heard anyone genuinely consider.

An argument is constructed based on things never seriously believed and then is torn down by Victor in ridicule.

A false impression, probably deliberate, is fabricated to encourage the notion that Pastor Lloyd has been propagating fairy tales.

I don't ever remember Pastor Lloyd seriously suggesting the return of animal sacrifice.

34:50 'Of course I have a leaning towards the fact that there's not going to be a restoration of the natural Israel in the millennium, but it doesn't mean I'm right it's just that I have that leaning from the scriptures which I understand...'

39:53 [Concerning covenants] we understand that these have been transferred from a physical to spiritual.

40:00 A translation from a physical covenant to a spiritual one. I believe there is a strong argument for spiritual Israel.

40:16 Friends I don't really care...

40:36 'But we are not to let these things put a division amongst us and in the Revival Centres it ain`t going to happen and particularly in this fellowship...'

Colin and Faye Reeves were thrown out of fellowship for questioning his leaning.

Jeremiah3:15 And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.

We are God's promise to Israel a spiritual nation of Kings and Priests. We have not displaced the nation Israel we have been grafted into the camp of Israel for an executive purpose. Romans 11:17-21

25For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.
26And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:
27For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.
28As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the father's sakes.
29For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance.

This is the Word of God. Where else to obtain our understanding? Do we get knowledge as we asleep? Is there a scripture anywhere that tells us we are to grow in the knowledge and understanding of the Lord?

Victor is not interested and doesn't care. He cares enough however to steer people out of fellowship who do.

Simon your father cared and preached the full council of God faithfully.

Victor emotionalises Pastor Lloyd's ministry by calling it divisionary. If the Word of God causes a division you better be on the right divide.

February 8th 2009

4:50 'The deceiver was the fellow who said no you haven't got enough you just really lack that little bit over here...there's been talk from the year that I came [into RCI]...what about this and a little bit of that...what about poor people who can't read and before books were printed and before the bible was penned and available to people...

5:42 The majority of people for the majority of time in the gospel age haven't been able to read haven't had access to reading...there is no excuse we can't say *I* didn't know that God because I couldn't read the bible.

8:28 We have everything pertaining to the nature of God in our lives and we can take hold of it by faith and we'll be the head and not the tail and well be more than conquerors because we are well able...now if you want to be pushed and shoved and move away from taking hold of that thinking and mind set then that's our issue.

There is an inescapable insinuation that it is the 'deceiver' that leads us into wanting to know more about Gods Word.

Coming to the RCI Victor would have been subjected to faithful men preaching the full council of God. These men and principally Ps Lloyd would have declared that in the Church the Word of God is the authority.

What these faithful men preached wasn't that we lacked, but that we could and are told to grow.

A baby is complete and lacks nothing, the entire genetics is there. If it is in health it has everything pertaining to life it is 100% human. Do we now encourage or discourage it to eat?

It has now been decided that all this was a waste because there was a time when the bible wasn't penned. Interestingly during this time their was no revival maybe that's why those ages were called dark.

So we are told to whom much is given much is expected. If you do understand the word of God you better be faithful with it.

The 'pushing, shoving and bullying' are by those who have been our teachers in the lord. They have made us feel inadequate by exposing our ignorance?

The learning curve in the Word of God was steep and I was rapt with what I heard, all of it!

Is their anyone out there that can see what's going on?

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'...Not wanting to criticise Pastor Lloyd at all but we failed to see things clearly in the past concerning Africa. Pastor Lloyd said to me not for this time. Well it is in his time, in other words he didn't see things happening and he felt it wasn't for this time. Things are happening and this is the time....PNG and other parts of the country... It seems when intellect intervenes things get slower we seem to miss the simplicity of Christ and the joy...'

This was part of the opening statements by Victor at the Sunday meeting at the 2009 Easter camp.

Even if it were true and Victor's vision is better and clearer on this issue than your father's how dare he mention Pastor Lloyd by name. What a lack of respect even if he qualifies his statement with, 'Not wanting to criticise...'

When I warned you about Victor almost two years ago and said he had a real problem with your father you pointed out how Victor gushes over him every time they meet.

He certainly doesn't mind pointing out his failings in front of the assembly. Your father is in no position to fight back is he.

Pastor Lloyds intellectualism is apparently responsible for delaying Revival Internationally.

I do remember Fijians in the '70's, PNG and India in the '80's, where was Victor? In Africa?

The Africans approached RCI in the Early '90's they came to join us and Ps Lloyd went there, but getting on in age, he invited some of the younger pastors to get involved in the overseas ministries and Victor put his hand up.

This I think is a closer version of events. You tell me.

I've heard Victor citing Pastor Lloyd several times with the '*Not for this time not for this age.*' Quotation. I don't know whether he deliberately misconstrues what is said or it's just a lack of mental horsepower and he simply can't understand.

Pastor Lloyd has used this statement in reference to the gentiles and it seemed fairly clear what he was referring to. In its context 'not for this time not for this age' expresses the Lord's prioritising of events. Not everything happens at once:

Do these things demonstrate how unjust God is?

- He spoke to Adam first and appeared to ignore the rest of mankind.
- He spoke to Abraham to the exclusion of all other families.
- He then spoke to Jacob segregating his seed from all the other nations and outlined his intent for them. He mentions no other nation for his special purpose.
- He speaks to us, the church. We are the fulfilment of a promise to Jacob: "And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding" (Jeremiah 3:15).

As a nation God is not finished with Israel. He bails her out for her sin and buries her safely away. We, on the other hand are dealt with openly and directly as we are tried and refined in fire, kings and priests.

This is now a time for all those who are to be called for an executive position of every race and type on earth. This is why Pastor Lloyd had evangelised overseas before Victor ever did.

It is the time of amnesty for the individual. But the amnesty will not last forever. When the millennium comes he will have chosen his priesthood and his kings and they will set to work on His Nation and then after that the Nations.

So as far as Africa, China etc 'it is not their time' the national blessings are still with Israel and she is now in the appointed place that has been set for her.

He will prepare Israel as his chosen nation during the millennium, so that at the end of it she will be a city and a bride ready for her husband and suitable as a helpmeet for Him.

Immortality is only promised to the individual who accepts the grace on offer. Immortality for Jacob means his seed will remain a nation before God in perpetuity until 'hell freezes over' (Jeremiah 31v36).

The individuals within that nation will still live and die. There is no individual promise of eternal life just because you happen to be born an Israelite. But as far as the nations are concerned he is <u>only</u> interested in Israel.

Israel is the treasure he bought and then hid. During the millennium we go to work preparing the bride.

Following the millennium Jerusalem is presented as a bride and then within this new concept the city expands and incorporates the whole earth, all the nations.

So it is not time. But if Pastor Lloyd had thought that the individuals in the various nations were barred from salvation, he never would have started those ministries in the first place.

3. DOCTRINAL IRREGULARITIES

There is a substantial and dangerous shift away from the sound doctrine which has been preached by RCI over the decades. The basis for sound doctrine is firstly to believe the scriptures are the inspired hand of the Lord and secondly to have a profound respect for God's word.

It's been less than a decade since Pastor Lloyd retired from active ministry and I am hearing things that I would never have thought I would have heard from a RCI platform. (Not without an immediate straightening out).

Pastor Lloyd had always made it clear that doctrine is important. There have been many evangilists outside of RCI who have preached extensively the born again experience and have filled impressively sized stadiums, halls and theatres. We have in the past said 'good luck' to them but we refrained from involving ourselves with them because their 'doctrine was bad.'

If doctrine is important there should be grave concern over the direction being taken in Townsville. If it were only Townsville however, that in itself would not be hugely concerning. The real alarm is that many of the inaccuracies which Pastor Lloyd has steered away from in the past, have been adopted by Pastor Victor who appears to have the ear of our most senior oversight.

Outlined below are many of the variations which would not have been tolerated ten years ago. These ideas have probably always been in the back ground amongst individuals who have pretended to agree with Pastor Lloyd, but it is only now that they have the boldness to begin to speak their mind freely.

This is not a liberty to rejoice in, Pastor Lloyd had laid down the doctrine on the foundation which is the word of God. Much of what is said now contradicts and dismisses good doctrine.

It is not just a question of emphasis, good loyal members of the Revival Centre's are being actively targeted. They are being called divisive and trouble makers 'for bringing in ideas' which we have always believed.

Colin and Faye Reeves have been put out of fellowship for challenging what has been said from the TRC platform. Things which only a decade ago we would have expected from the AOG or the United Pentecostals.

The points listed in this section are taken from thoughts given on and off the TRC platform. Where appropriate they are cross referenced to Pastor Victors talks. It is a 'New Think' which is entering our fellowship but one which adds nothing to our understanding and only takes away!

THE NEW THINK

'We don't need this, [holding up the bible], we don't need Pastors we don't need fellowship. If we have the love of God.' (Ben, TRC Sunday meeting talk)

The 'New Think' entering the RCI minimises the need for the written Word of God and elevates our personal experiences above it. It's new, because in the decades I've been a member of the RCI I've never heard these things preached in the Church.

In fact, it isn't new at all if you consider that main line Christianity, the AOG and Pentecost generally, have been preaching an emotive based gospel for years and Pastor Lloyd has tried everything to keep it out of our assemblies.

The idea is that if the Word of God is now in your heart you have no need to 'obsess' over the written word and certainly not its detail.

'The word is nigh thee in thy mouth and in thy heart'

The immediate obvious irony is that these ideas have been arrived at by reading scriptures, like the one above from the apostle Paul.

In much of the current preaching there is a call for simplicity, in Christ. This is actually a euphemism for *ignorance is a virtue*. It is being stated that happiness and joy in the Lord is attained by not intellectualising Gods Word. [*PVS-11APR09*]

If by not intellectualising you mean not reading books on quantum physics and coming to the *wrong* conclusion that God has no plan. Or not reading one scripture out of context and deciding we don't need to read the rest. Then I am all in favour of not intellectualising.

Unfortunately this is not what is meant.

Pastor Lloyd has been accused directly from the TRC platform of hindering the progress of our overseas ministries because he Intellectualised the gospel, [PVS 11APR09].

Simplicity has nothing to do with how much you don't know or understand: Simplicity means: <u>If the</u> <u>Lord says it we believe it!</u>

So simplicity in Christ means the Lord has much to show us, as he has declared, and much for us to learn and understand from His Word. The Holy Spirit was sent to help us with the process of

revealing all truths to us, (John16v12).

We approach the lord in a childlike fashion believing his Word and we receive revelation, so that in understanding we can be like adults, (1Cor14v20). We do not decide the cut off point for understanding and preach this as a virtue to the flock. That is not a doctrine!

The 'new think', which seems to be gaining increasing popularity, uses non-scriptural evidences to support their claims and dubious interpretations of scripture which draw us away from the Word of God and His understanding.

Know Nothing Save Christ Crucified?

One of Pauls often quoted scriptures later is; 'I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.' [1Corinthians 2:2]

This verse is quoted in an attempt to try and sell the idea that Paul is suggesting that 'Christ and him crucified' is all we need to know and preach.

I have heard this repeated almost as a mantra by just about everyone who has given a talk from the TRC platform.

The context of this verse can be easily understood by a simple appreciation of the problems in the Corinthian Church. It quickly becomes evident that Paul is chiding the elders for their ignorance in understanding. He wasn't suggesting to them that this is all they needed to know.

Such was their willful ignorance that he kept things as simple as possible. They should have grown to the point of teaching others, but were so deficient that he could only feed them on the milk of the word.

I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able [to bear it], neither yet now are ye able. [1Corintians3:2]

1Corinthians2:2 is being wrongly used as an excuse to know nothing more than your testimony, when plainly it does not mean this. (Read the next couple of chapters, better still the entire letter). I think I recall Pastor Lloyd labouring the warning to put 'text into context.'

Amazingly Paul is used as an ally by those today desiring to 'simplify' our understanding. When Paul writes to the Hebrews in Chap 6 he instructs them to move beyond Rudimentary teachings concerning salvation and repentance from dead works. He then proceeds to educate them concerning Melchisedec and the priesthood.

New Testament People Read the New Testament?

'We are New Testament people therefore we read the New Testament' (Pastor Victor)

There is a perception that the Old Testament is somehow inferior to the New. Obviously something new is better then something old. The error in this understanding is very simple and results from the categorization of the scriptures into 'Old' and 'New'.

The truth is there are no distinctions with scripture other than by author. Paul goes as far as to say that all scripture regardless of various authors is under the inspiration of a single author, the Lord.

To many the Old Testament is considered an irrelevant assortment of strange little stories of which some have a moral allegory which can be used in talks. These examples may then help us through the day.

This is a very limited view and one which should have long ago been relegated to the 'churchy' organizations many of us had left. The Old Testament scriptures are in fact a Revelation to us of Gods plan.

It is necessary to clarify what is meant by Old Testament. The division of scripture into Old and New was a matter of convenience when the compiling the various books of scripture. Even the order of the books is arbitrary. It is a division which has caused unnecessary confusion especially today.

The term Old Testament actually refers to the Law and the covenant made between the Nations of Israel and God.

Abraham, Isaac and Jacob are <u>not</u> Old Testament characters. They were born and died before the Old Testament. The covenant which was introduced through Moses came later for the benefit of God's elected nation.

This is why the breaking of the covenant by the Nation Israel in no way diminished the power of those promises made to Abraham which were directed to his seed. And so in the parable of Lazarus and the Rich man, Lazarus (Israel), is comforted and is safe in the bosom of Abraham even after Israel had been banished and was effectively dead to this world. The promises of God are shown prophetically to be immutable.

We are people who have become partakers of 'better promises.' The Law of ordinances have be superseded by Christ (Hebrews8). The scriptures, however have not been superseded.

When we say the Old Testament has been done away, we are not referring to the scriptures the Lord has written. We are referring to the specific aspects of the Law which relate to the ordinances and requirements to absolve trespasses.

The rituals required for atonement are what have been superseded by Christ's, 'once for all' atonement for Sin.

Paul directs the Romans to the 'things..written aforetime...for our comfort...and hope.' He also instructs Timothy (2Tim3v16) to continue in the Holy Scriptures which are profitable for instruction and learning.

Paul would be shocked to find out that today we are displacing the scriptures with his letters of instruction. This was never meant to be the case and when he advised the assemblies in his care he did not invent instruction from some personal revelation, his instruction and understanding was received from the Lord through the scriptures.

The apostle Paul goes to much effort encouraging the assemblies under his ministry to grow through an increasing understanding of the Word of God. The Corinthians are told that they were severely underdeveloped, spiritually malnourished as a direct result of remaining like babies in Christ.

The meat of the Word is described in Hebrews chap 5 as nourishment which will help us develop into full maturity. Where after we can excel in our own ministry as did Jesus, who considered God's work his real sustenance. John 4:34

Scripture provides the skeleton for prophesy, remove it and we are left with no frame work for understanding:

The scriptures ('Old Testament') offers the following:

- Instruction in righteousness
- Understanding of Christ and the parables
- The key to Revelations
- Understanding of the complete plan of God
- Knowledge concerning Israel and the promises
- An understanding of the promises to Abraham.

There are many oversight in the RCI today who simply do not believe what we used to believe. The 'framework' is an embarrassment to them. It is little wonder they try to claim that they are irrelevant to us today.

If we accept these people and what they believe out of brotherly love and for the sake of keeping unity, why not the rest of Pentecost and the unity can be expanded?

THE APOSTLES DOCTRINE

There is a concept called the APOSTLES DOCTRINE, which is popular in Pentecost today. The doctrine apparently emphasizes evangelism and Acts2v38.

There's nothing wrong here, Pastor Lloyd was the first to emphasis this and from the day I joined the Revival Centres, especially in the early days, just about every meeting I attended and every talk given referred at some point to Acts2v38 and Mark 16.

In fact Pastor Frank believed a talk wasn't finished until, 'repent be baptized and receive the Holy Spirit,' was quoted.

It may be a false impression but ironically I seem to hear less of these two foundation scriptures nowadays.

Strangely the Apostle's Doctrine is commonly talked about as the new emphasis for RCI. Naturally evangelism is a vital aspect of what we do. But how can it possibly be considered a new direction when it was such an integral part of the old one?

The name change from merely 'witnessing' to a more profound sounding concept 'The Apostles Doctrine,' is an act of smoke and mirrors. There is now a great opportunity to talk about something we've always done as if it's just been discovered.

Riding on the back of this 'new discovery' many who have never liked certain aspects of Pastor Lloyd's ministry, can relegate much of God's Word to the '*do not open files*', on the pretext of needing the time to concentrate on more important matters.

The Apostles Doctrine has never been a doctrine, the only place those two words appear together in scripture is in Acts2:42. It was never mentioned as a terminology so there can be no reference to what the 'Apostles Doctrine' actually means.

What it does say is that those who gladly received the word and where baptized, then continued in the apostles doctrine or the apostles teaching. In other words after they were baptized the apostles set about to teach them. The irony is that the Apostles Doctrine actually refers to teaching people after they received the Holy Ghost.

[As a quick experiment I randomly opened up the bible and picked the first two words I saw next to each other. '...great multitude...' This doesn't mean there is a doctrine called 'Great Multitude'].

The doctrine of the apostles is the same doctrine that we should have today and that is God's Word. It is the authority in the Church! Amen! This was the doctrine of the apostles and this was Pastor Lloyd Longfield's doctrine and in his time it was faithfully ministered to us.

The apostles didn't remain stationary in their understanding. They didn't enter this new age knowing all things instantly. Growing in understanding became so important that the disciples where taken away from the 'mundane' aspects of the ministry so that they could attend to the Word of God.

Paul instructs Timothy that those elders who labour in the Word and the doctrine are especially

worthy of double honour. Not because those that do are better than anyone else but rather because doctrine is important.

God's Word does not distract us from what we are supposed to do. It is not a hinderance to our activities, it provides us with vision and understanding without which, the Lord makes clear, the people perish.

There is no 'Apostles Doctrine,' there is only The doctrine.

SUSTAINED BY OUR BORN AGAIN EXPERIENCE?

Much has been made of our born again experience and rightly so. Pastor Lloyd has especially emphasised this in his ministry and has differentiated the RCI from other groups who may have this experience, but do not fully understand it's importance as an entrance to salvation.

A new doctrine is now being presented which proposes that 'we are sustained' by this experience. The idea however is wrong, dangerous and is deliberately used in order to distance the church from the scriptures which are the Words of God and which according to Jesus, is our bread.

We are not sustained by our born again experience as our natural body is not sustained by the fact that we were once born. Our natural man is sustained by food, exercise and good health.

Once born again the Lord, the apostles, Pastor Lloyd and any other shepherds worth their pay directs the individual and the flock to the things which will sustain them.

1Timothy 4v13-14...give attendance to reading , to exhortation, to doctrine. Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy.

Reading or hearing the Word of God helps us in our understanding of him. Being born again doesn't fill us with all knowledge and understanding. What we learn from the experience is that there is a God and He wants to get personal.

Scripture is at the heart of the process of developing our relationship with God. We learn about his nature and the vision of his plan. His purpose is continually expanded through growth from understanding. The scales have been lifted from our eyes by the Holy Spirit, we can finally understand what we read, [2Cor3:15], and so now we convince ourselves we don't need it.

The parable of the marriage supper is a good example of increasing our understanding. Jesus desires his executives to have an understanding of the family business. What does it say about us if all we're interested in is the minimal requirements for understanding?

In the parable the bidden guest who rejected the invitation was the Jewish nation and the ones invited off the street formed the body called the church.

It is a simple concept, but one which did not enter our heads automatically on the day we were spirit filled. It needed to be read, heard or explained before being understood and becoming part of the vision of a born again believer.

The wedding parable further enables us to appreciate what is written in, for example, the book of Revelations which culminates with the marriage of the lamb and His bride Israel.

[Revelation19:7,9]... the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready...Blessed [are] they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb.

Blessed [is] he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: [Revelations 1:3]

This process of continual comprehension of God's Word is called eating.

It doesn't necessarily appear obvious what practical use some scripture may be but our job is not to second guess the Lord. This is the simplicity in Christ; don't second guess him. If he calls it a blessing then that's what it is. If he calls it food then we better enjoy the meal.

OUR EXPERIENCE IS NOT THE AUTHORITY

In the Church, Gods Word is the authority. Jesus had the Holy Ghost experience as well, but he still deferred authority to the Words the Father had given him to say.

In the past we used our '*experience*' as a shield against those who would try to talk us out of it. We took comfort from the knowledge that the Lord had evidenced himself to us individually and any argument or philosophy which may be used to counter what we had received, evaporated in a puff of logic because *'it happened to me.'*

Things were never meant to start and finish with our born again experience.

Today however, our experience has subtly become a replacement for our understanding and vision, in the Lord. This is the gist behind much of the preaching lately in Townsville. *[PVS 22JUL08,17:22]*

Recently I approached a member of oversight (Edward), concerning a talk he had just given. The point concerned a simple but important misunderstanding of Israel and the church.

His perception has been so completely fouled by Pastor Victor that when I directed him towards Jeremiah 31v36 and scriptures pertaining to the promises of Israel, he counted by saying that other translations of the bible will give a completely different meaning to the same scripture.

I invited him to look at Jeremiah 31v36 using any one of fifty four different translations available to see if it wasn't still blindingly obvious what the Lord was talking about. He then tried to explain using a 'parable' about different people viewing a painting *'some will see this in it and some will see that'*.

He then advised that these things weren't important and that the most important aspect now was to 'get our heads right in the Lord.' (What on earth does that mean?).

No doubt in whatever way Pastor Victor had explained to the TRC oversight why we don't bother with scripture anymore it would've sounded grand and glorious coming out of his mouth.

Certainly coming from the platform all those in the congregation seemed happy with the way he was able to dress up something so awful and make it sound like the will of God. [PVS 22JUL08, 28:17], [PVS 8FEB09, 4:42]

I would have thought that an important aspect of 'getting our head right' would be solidifying our understanding that the Word of God is the Rock! Pastor Victor's ministry, in complete contrast to Pastor Lloyd's, has converted it to 'silly putty'.

When it became too difficult for Edward to argue against scripture he resorted, like most of the oversight in the TRC, to the affirmation of his born again experience. 'I know what I have received,' as if I was trying to talk him out of it.

Our born again *experience* was once the solid evidence of comfort we had against those who would try to talk us out of what we had received. I have a huge respect for Edward and still do, but the expanded use of our *experience*, now as a shield against the Word of God, is profane.

THE LORDS PLAN IS RACIST?

It is quite possible to believe in God's plan, the restoration of Israel and the favouritism by the Lord shown towards various nations without being a card carrying member of the KKK.

The notion that the Lord's doctrine could be viewed as racist has only relatively recently been brought to my attention. There is more than just a hint of suggestion from senior oversight that this is the case or enough of a case to distance ourselves from the national message for the sake of 'wisdom.'

It is the devil who was unable to destroy the Woman Israel (Rev12), which is now going for next best option. 'If she won't die then convince everyone she is dead.' Her death means God's promises have failed.

If you are unable to convince people she is dead, then please resort to plan 'C'. This plan tries to make us feel too embarrassed to talk about it, in case someone thinks we're 'Skinheads'.

We are not the Lords public relations department, we are his oracles and before we allow 'wisdom' to dominate our thinking, we should consider that Israel is the major aspect of God's salvation plan.

We should also consider and be humbled by the knowledge that we are in a greater position today to understand the full council of God than any other age or any group of spirit filled people that have ever lived and this includes the first apostles and Paul.

We may think it would have been exciting to be a part of the early church and to have spoken with, Paul, John, Peter or Matthew. But what do you think these guys would have given to live in the age we live in on the cusp of the new age.

What would Paul have given to have seen a slide night from Pastor Lloyd showing the movements of Israel through the centuries into their appointed places in fulfilment of Gods great restoration? He would have cried!

Paul lived in a time when Israel were all but destroyed and yet he had faith that Gods Word would not fail.

Romans 15:8 Now I say that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision[Israel] for the truth of God, to <u>confirm</u> the promises [made] unto the fathers [Abraham Isaac Jacob]:

What immense confidence Paul had. He stated these things when Israel was at its darkest. When the remnant in Jerusalem had completely rejected salvation and the tribes where in the process of dissemination through the earth. What would Paul have given to hear the things that we have heard and see the things we have seen and understand them. The whole of history maps out Gods vast vision of salvation according to the promises he made to individuals who had died millennia ago.

Are we told to be embarrassed by his Word? Or do we declare boldly as intended: 'THE LORD KEEPS HIS PROMISES!'

Why wouldn't a born again Chinaman, African or Yugoslavian be thrilled to know and see what Paul would have sacrificed Peter to see?

Who cares that the promises were made to the ancestors of the Anglo Saxons? Would it make any difference if the Lord had selected a family of Aboriginals 4,000 years ago and recorded that.

The fact is the Lord has shown himself faithful. He has declared that the whole world will come to the realisation of what he has done and he has given us the heads-up because he wants us to know as his soon to be executives, selected for a royal purpose, from every nation, tongue and ethnicity.

There is no wisdom in denying prophesy, especially amongst our own. If people outside or even inside, as the case is, wish to criticize our excitement over Gods plan and what he has done let us not redefine and cut edges and fashion the Word of God to suit them. This is called the concision. We are told to beware of the concision.

THE AFRICAN EXPERIENCE

Apart from the misrepresentation of scripture, in Townsville especially we are continually directed to the 'African Experience' [*PVS 8FEB09*] as an example of some type of pure faith. It is pure apparently because it is uncluttered by thinking.

I have never been to darkest Africa. The number of Africans I've talked to could be numbered on one hand. I am completely ignorant of their culture and way of life, but this I say with complete confidence and I am 100% correct....You will find that the more you get to know them, (or anyone else on this planet), the more you will realise they are no different to you or me.

Our brothers and sisters over in Africa, PNG, Fiji and outback Australia have had a wonderful born again experience which is exactly the same as the one that each of us here have received. Their circumstances are different in terms of material wealth and prosperity but they can still benefit as much as any of us in growing in the knowledge of the Lord and the Vision of his plan, which he has laid out in the scriptures.

Indeed, they benefit directly and indirectly from the fact that we have had a faithful grounding in the Word.

A week or so after Pastor Victor gave this talk, [PVS 8FEB09, 5:42] a brother, (in the oversight) tried to tell me that we don't really need the scriptures, because generally speaking Africans can't read and they're quite happy.

To use 'the African Experience' to pedal an anti-doctrine and denigrate the marvellous understanding which has been faithfully handed down is fairly miserable.

BABES IN CHRIST ARE PERFECT

A member of oversight in between choruses told a little story about a conversation with his adult son over breakfast. His son was concerned that he didn't feel he knew very much about the bible. His father told him not to worry about that 'as long as you know what you've got that's all that's important.'

It has been frequently pointed out that we are perfect in Christ. If we are perfect then we are in need of nothing else. How can you improve on perfection? [*PVS 8FEB09, 8:22*]

This is a variation on the theme which tries to convince us that, 'we have the word of God written on our hearts so why do we need to read the thing.' It is also a variant of 'We don't need the bible... if we have the love of God.'

This reasoning directs us away from our source of nourishment which is the Word of God. They add nothing to our understanding, they reduce it. This rationale is the result of intellectualism.

Being born again implies that at some stage we are babies in Christ. Babies in this world are born and are also considered perfect, especially by their mothers. They have all the things pertaining to life.

We don't look at a baby and decide because it's perfect it doesn't need food, exercise or care.

The reason why the particular oversight decided to make us aware of the advice he had given to his son is a bit of a mystery. I assume to let us know that he wasn't going to allow his boy to feel condemned because he didn't know much. Is this an example of killing someone with love?

Another approach may have been to be thrilled that the boy seemed to want to know more. This would have been a good opportunity to open up the scriptures and have a feed. But I suppose if you're confident that scriptures are more likely to condemn than encourage, you would steer the boy away with a clear conscience.

Those born again start on the 'milk of the word,' they grow as a result and eventually move to meat

and grow some more. What a wonderful analogy the Lord gives us.

BEFORE THE BIBLE WAS PENNED

[PVS 8FEB09, 4:50]

Not all things throughout history have been equal. There have been times of plenty and others which have been marked by famine. When and where we are born seems to be largely a question of good or bad luck.

The Word of God has undergone similar variances in terms of its accessibility. In Victor's talks it is suggested that because the scriptures haven't always been ubiquitous then to be fair to all anyone can do without them. Arriving at this kind of conclusion is an intellectualism.

'What did people do before the bible was penned?'. 'What about poor people or people that couldn't read.?' [PVS 8FEB09, 5:42]. These are arguments currently used, to disregard the understanding and vision which has been passed down to us. This argument is prevalent in the religious world, to wit, how can God judge those remote tribes in darkest Africa who have never heard about the God of Israel or His law.

Romans 1:20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

The Word gives us vision, hence; '*Thy word* [*is*] a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.' The first revelation anybody receives is that they can have a personal experience with the Lord. This is a vision, before being filled with the Holy Spirit you didn't know if God could be approached like that. You had no appreciation of the requirements of God.

Revelation does not stop with repentance, baptism and being filled with the Holy Spirit. Our personal experiences after this, are not a substitute for God's Word and his continuing vision. Otherwise Paul would not have said this to the Hebrews in chapter 6 and would not have instructed them to go beyond the rudiments of salvation.

We know that the Word of God is also seed. It is seed which germinates under the right conditions and grows. What part of the Lords Word is seed and what part isn't? <u>'Every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God'</u>, this is what we live by.

Jesus outlines what happens if seed falls on good ground and what happens to it if it doesn't. Where there is no Word of God there is no vision.

1Sam 3:1 ...And the word of the LORD was precious in those days; [there was] no open vision.

The middle ages were also known as the dark ages for good reason. The Roman Catholic Church, hijacked the Word of God and 'trampled the saints' for 1260 years, (Revelations 13).

The hijacking involved translating the bible into Latin so it couldn't be generally understood. The result of this was to deny general access to the Word of God. The consequence of this was no recorded revival.

Revival, began towards the last half of Rome's 1260 years dominance. It began when faithful men read the Word of God and ignoring the threat of torture and death translated small passages and then whole sections into readable languages.

Bringing the Gospel into the light was the major feature of Protestant Revival and Papal Rome reacted by creating 20,000,000 martyrs, (by some estimates). After the dark ages Rome became less and less able to stamp out Revival and when the 'beasts' dominance came to an end in the 18th Century the protestant awakenings began.

The Word of God became freely available directly after the period of trampling and dominance described in Revelations13.

And I saw another angel flying in mid heaven, having eternal good tidings to proclaim unto them that dwell on the earth, and unto every nation and tribe and tongue and people; Reve 14:6

During chapter 13 the beast is allowed to trample the saints. It describes a time of little revival and reduced access to the Gospel.

If no seed is sown or it is unable to germinate there is precious little or no revival. The dark ages were such a time. The word of God was not accessible and so few if any Spirit Filled communities existed.

Similarly even in modern times there are isolated groups of people who have never had contact with the scriptures and who have never been in a position to understand and receive the gospel. How many of these people would you expect to be filled with the Holy Spirit? Probably zero.

Is God unjust? The apostle Paul answers this question and so can we.

The grace we have been given is limited to a time. It is an amnesty which will end at the closure of this age. There is opportunity now and only now for people who are born again to form an executive which will rule and reign righteously over his heritage Israel, in the next stage of his plan.

When someone is born into this World they are contracted, more or less for three score and ten. This is the deal and if a person lives and dies without ever hearing the gospel they are not hard done by the individual has received their contracted allotment.

The invitation to the marriage super of the Lamb is to furnish the banquet with guests. It is a onetime offer to those who are called or hear the call and accept it. If you're happy to live your three score and ten and aren't interested in anything else, so be it, the Lord's not forcing anyone to accept.

What about those living in the next age? When he has his kings and priests and the invitation is closed to all others, what we have received will not be available again. Will we accuse the Lord of unrighteousness?

What about the ancient Greeks? Persians? The Hittites and indeed your average Israelite before the gospel age? Were these not people also? They have already missed out on what we have received.

Go back even further to the cave man? Not a chance even if he could read! Billions have missed out because, whether we think it is fair or not, they did not have the opportunity either because the time was wrong, wrong geography or wrong circumstance.

No wonder it is written:

... Write, Blessed [are] they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. (Revelations 19:9)

how shall we escape, if we neglect so great a salvation?...; Hebrews2:3

Best we be faithful with the whole word and rejoice in all the understanding that has been deliberately given.

And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia ... thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

It is not an act of faithfulness to remove people from fellowship because they try to understand the Word of God. We are people with opportunity, we have His Word and to whom much is given much is expected.

If we come across someone or some group who can't read. That is not an excuse for us to remain ignorant, best we be faithful and declare the full council of God, starting at the beginning, of course.

CHURCH = SPIRITUAL ISRAEL?

Perhaps it is because the Lord 'buried His treasure' so well that even amongst the churches today there is little understanding of the role of Israel in the affairs of God. The promises made to her were natural, far reaching and the blessings exhaustive.

Israel was destined to enjoy complete domination over her circumstances which included supremacy over the nations round about. Deuteronomy lists these blessings in detail.

As well as the blessings there are an equivalent amount of curses waiting should Israel fail in her obligations to the Lord. Israel's failure is understood but little is generally known of the Lord's restorative plan for her.

It does not yet generally appear what has happened to Israel. To many she is out of contention. This leaves some very impressive promises dangling in the wind. Obviously we can't allow them to dangle for long.

The most convenient doctrine developed to satisfy our flesh has been the concept of a Spiritual Israel. A transformation has occurred in the minds of many that allows a defaulted Israel to be replaced by the church. If the church replaces the nation then there is a logic that all the promises made to the nation should transfer to us. After all no one else is using them.

The prosperity doctrine preached today by spirit filled churches would have the Holy Spirit's main function as ensuring that our lives are made as comfortable as possible. Of course we don't want this prosperity for ourselves because we are far too spiritual. But as people see us doing well in business, succeeding in all our financial affairs and generally living blessed and affluent lives then the Lord is glorified.

All we need in order to believe and preach all this is get rid of Israel and then take her place. The following range of flesh pleasing blessings are available as soon as this is accomplished.

We become the head and not the tail, all the works of our hands shall prosper, we will be given plenteous goods, just about every variety of fruit including from our body, cattle and the ground will be blessed. And my favourite; all the people of the earth shall be afraid of thee.

Strangely Jesus, who's body we are a part of, said to the 'man' why would you want to follow me? I don't even have a place to rest my head.

In this world or age we are not the head! We do not dominate our environment or our circumstances. If we did, tens of thousands of our brethren would not have allowed their children to be torn to shreds in front of their eyes by wild animals in Rome's colosseum. Nor would millions have succumbed to the purges of the inquisition and subsequent suppression of the protestants.

'What a marvellous lifestyle for the whole family' those protestants about to be burnt alive with their kids, must have been thinking they had, as they were tied to neatly arranged wood piles in front of cheering Roman Catholics.

If you were the head and not the tail would you allow this to happen to your kids? Imagine trying to convince people it's a good idea to go to church under these circumstances.

We live as spirit filled people in a blessed country, but this has not been the norm. We are the first church with the expectation that we are entitled to 'live the good life'.

The prosperity doctrine is a Laodicean doctrine. It is a doctrine which replaces the nation Israel with the church. It's dangerous and results from not understanding the Word of God.

The natural blessing to Israel are not our blessings and are not up for grabs.

This is the reward for those who follow Jesus:

... [they] shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel . [Matthew19:28]

The prosperity doctrine requires Israel to be removed and replaced. If this isn't possible then the next best thing is to ignore the scripture pertaining to the God's promises to Israel and just take out the bits we like without asking any questions.

This is done easily by constantly repeating the following:

- Scriptures can mean anything.
- It's all too difficult to understand anyway. Revelations is all happening in some 5th dimension which we can't possibly understand. 'Battles in heaven', 'dragons', 'stars falling' and beasts ascending and descending into and out of and into bottomless abysses.
- The O.T. has been done away with hasn't it?
- 'These things are all just incidental'.
- The most important thing is that we are blessed now.

As a respected pastor recently said in a talk; The things that the prophets talked about concerning regeneration and restoration were directed toward Israel. You can't take the things that were said to Israel and say that they are now ours.

He wasn't talking about the church. Sarah didn't bare the Church! The Church has been born again by an incorruptible spirit.

The Lord said to Israel before 'you sold your self for nought, but you shall be redeemed without money.' The Church never sold herself she is made up of people who accepted an invitation to live.

Isaiah 54 v4-6 For the LORD hath called thee as a woman forsaken... For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee.

This isn't talking about the Church, the church was never been forsaken. This is Israel!

The expectation of materialism leads to a thinking which makes the Lord only as good as the last need met. There are promises to the nation and there are promises to which Jesus outlines for us.

We have not displaced or become Israel. We have entered the Camp of Israel.

"here we have no continuing city but we look for one to come" (or something to that effect)

Israel's priesthood should have known this as the Priests (a subset of the Levites) had no inheritance in Israel. Their portion was the Lord's and they lived off Israel's tithe. So the fruit in their life was proportional to the quality of their husbandry. As Israel increased so did their tithe.

Jesus uses the parable of the vineyard (Israel):

Mark12:7 But those husbandmen said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance shall be ours.'

God has now raised up pastors/shepherds after his own heart to replace the corrupt husbandmen. Jeremiah3:15 And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.

We are the kings and priests after God's own heart, with the mind of Christ who shall shepherd Israel. Do we repeat the error of Levi and seek to kill the word and usurp the vineyard's (Israel's) inheritance.

Before proceeding with a bunch of promised blessings for the future Isaiah says to Israel 'Look to Abraham and Sarah that bare you.' He then proceeds with the promises to come, promises into the future.

TWO SEPARATE SALVATIONS?

The *new think*, scoffs at the idea of a national restoration by suggesting that this somehow implies that there are two separate salvations. One for us and another for the people living in the nations of greater Israel.

A simple consideration from the scriptures of why Christ came is all that is needed to sort this out.

Jesus explains the reason for his appearing. He makes it clear that he came to find that which was lost. He goes on to say 'I came not but for the Lost house of Israel'. Israel is therefore Jesus' primary purpose.

The Jewish Nation was not lost he did not come for them. On the contrary they had to give account for the mishandling of the Masters goods. They were found lacking and told plainly that the Lord would take away their opportunity to work further with him.

Israel on the other hand was in the process of being scattered through the nations. Their Times of punishment should have seen them completely lost, dispersed and ultimately obliterated. However this was not to be the case.

Isaiah 44v21: ...O Israel thou shalt not be forgotten of me.

All of Isaiah 43,44 discusses Israel's epic journey and the Lords intention that he will deliver them so that they will be of use to him for the fulfilment of his purpose.

This has always been Gods plan. He chose them as his helpmeet in the desert. He insists that they did not choose Him. It can never be said that the Lord chooses unwisely.

Israel was not Gods mistake which he now tries to hide in the hope that no-one notices. The parable of the 'buried treasure' was not an attempt to hide the evidence.

The promises of Abraham were made prior to the Old Testament and so are not bound by the breaking of any covenant after him. These are promises to his seed and reiterated to Jacob and his seed which were to became the nations of Israel. All of Abrahams promises are unconditional and all state the facts concerning Gods future intent.

There is a problem, God did make conditional promises with Israel. Record of their failure to comply with the conditions of the covenant is a story told in much detail by numerous prophets.

The prophets record, warn, and explain in precisely the consequences for breaking the covenant, consequences which would ultimately lead to death.

Unable to continue with Israel because of her sin but bound by an oath to Abraham which he has staked his reputation on, what does the Lord do?

If Israel is consumed and dies it is her own fault, but God would be a liar to the fathers. The world, Satan could legitimately gloat.

No wonder towards the end of Revelations the Devil was so keen to kill the Woman (Israel). If the Devil had succeeded it would've proven that the Lord is a false God and cannot be relied upon or trusted. So he sends a 'flood' (nations), to swamp devour her, but the Lord intervenes and takes her to a 'place of safety'. (*Rev12v14*)

Unable to destroy the Lords heritage Satan console himself by propagating the lie that she is effectively no more. Where are the tribes of Israel? The Devil must have succeeded.

There are oversight in the assemblies of RCI that believe Israel was cast off into the flood of nations and that she is no more a people. They do not believe she was taken to a place of safety, hid and nourished for the remainder of her Times of punishment. They believe Satan has won.

(I hope they simply just don't know or understand what they're talking about, but in any case these individuals should not be allowed anywhere near an RCI platform).

It should be absolutely clear to any Revivalist, or to anyone who understands and appreciates the scriptures or has any respect for God's Word, that in order to prevent such a catastrophe as allowing His word to fail, the Lord sets about with providing the sacrifice necessary to wash away the sins of his people, so he can once again look upon the face of His nation Israel.

The Lord can't just pretend the sin never occurred and remarry her. Under the Law it is an abomination to remarry a women you have divorced. So fulfilling all righteousness the Lord becomes Himself the perfect sacrifice. His death breaks the power of that law because the one that made that law has died.

Having risen from the dead and breaking the power of death, especially the power of death over the nation Israel, the Lord is now able to be the author of a better covenant. It is a better covenant because in this one the nation Israel does not need to die for her sin.

In this covenant the Lord can take Israel as his bride.

In this covenant his bride who is even lost to her own identity and so is unable to perform the duties of atonement has a continual sacrifice made for her.

And most importantly, in this covenant the Lord can look Abraham in the face and say I kept my promise to you. (Amen?). At the same time He is now able to demonstrate the enormous capacity of his grace which will ultimately be revealed to all mankind.

It should now be very clear why Jesus states;

'I come not but for the lost house of Israel'

In the wash of all this we have an opportunity which the Jewish nation had failed to apprehend. It is an opportunity to form an executive body with our Lord. We are first-fruits resulting from the new covenant, with Christ. The invited guest to the wedding.

The nation Israel comes later in the harvest. It is only fitting that the invited guests arrive before the bride but let's not forget the wedding is still all about her.

To the individual who is called and accepts the invitation there is immortality of spirit and a new body. This is the promise to us.

To the chosen nation Israel there is immortality in perpetuity as a nation. There is no promise of immortality for the individual, (at this stage anyway).

This is the <u>one</u> salvation package.

4. PARABLES OF JESUS

The parables of Christ are not a collection of 'Aesop' fables intended to have simple moral directives extracted from. Jesus spoke in parables so that 'they' (the Jews), would not understand his chosen purpose. Lest, as he says, they should see and he would be compelled to heal them.

We have been invited to understand:

Matt13v10,11 ...Why speakest thou unto them in parables? He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.

If the parables represented simple ethical ideals to live your life by why would He want to keep that a mystery? All you need do is go to any bookshop pay \$9:95 for some cheesy paperback on the power of positive thinking or how to be a better person, and you'll get reams of everyday advise on 'Christian values' with which no one would disagree!

The parables are an insight into the Lords ongoing relationship with Israel and reveal His great plan and purpose.

The remnants of Judah and the Levitical priesthood who remained in Jerusalem and were not expelled from the 'land' became known as Jews. They were the caretakers of the Lords Vineyard until the time of His appearing.

Unlike the dispersed nations they were wealthy, they had the Temple, sacrifices for atonement, sacred rituals and the Scriptures. They had opportunity to grow and prosper in the understanding and knowledge of God.

Regardless of the circumstances presented by foreign occupation since Nebuchadnezzar in 604BC, the Jews were not yet cast off from the face of the land. The expectation was that the sacred possessions put in their trust should have been sufficient to allow them to spiritually flourish during this period.

Judah had not received her bill of divorce, they had not been entirely expelled from the land. The Lord was therefore obliged to work through his chosen representatives, at least initially.

Prophetically Judah was described by Jeremiah as a 'fired clay vessel'. Fired clay is of course brittle it

is unable to be reformed into a new 'worthy' vessel. The inference was that ultimately Judah could not be used as an instrument for the Lord.

In contrast Israel was described by Jeremiah as unfired. It could and would be reshaped and formed into a new worthy instrument, but it would need to go into exile and punishment, 'for her own good.'

At no time did the Lord say he would banish his people to be lost forever, destroyed and annihilated. (Isaiah chapters 43,44). This was a fundamental promise which the Lord rests his honour upon...

The caution against putting 'New wine into Old bottles', is not a tip for home brewers. The remnant (Jews) that remained behind in Palestine were corrupt and untrustworthy. There was no way Jesus was going to put the new wine of his Spirit into this old structure, because having been found faithless in a little they would have made a complete mess and spoilt the lot.

Knowing this ahead of time He seeks a replacement vessel, but first he needed to deal with the old one and he needed to do this properly, fulfilling all righteousness. He just doesn't sack those left in charge, they are given opportunity and time to amend. Numerous written and verbal warnings precede the dismissal.

Jesus refers to the Jews as the invited guests who not only refused to attend the marriage but even murdered those who were sent to call them. They're rejection gave opportunity for the 'whosoever' to come in their place and so the Church was formed.

The Church makes up the guest list for the marriage supper. The bride of course is still Israel. The Lord does not kill the bride and replace her with the invited guests. Revelations 19v9 Write, Blessed [are] they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb.

Christ proceeds with his mission and dies for his beloved bride, Israel, thus paying the price for his treasure which he buries and hides away speaking to her prophetically not to worry, that you are not forgotten, for I have bought the field you are hidden in.

All the parables speak of things pertaining to the Kingdom of God. Things which the Lord wanted to keep a mystery from the useless vessels of dishonour. Things pertaining to the Kingdom are hid in mysteries which are revealed to the new born in Christ, those who have an ear to hear.

LAZARUS AND THE RICHMAN

20 And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, 21 And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. 22 And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; 23 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. 24 And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool

my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. 25 But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. 26 And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that [would come] from thence. 27 Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: 28 For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. 29 Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. 30 And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. 31 And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

In this parable what are the simple moral directives encountered? Don't be rich? If you are rich make sure you share the wealth? Is it about going to hell and having conversations with people in heaven?

If this story represents some type of moral imperative it is the most stupid senseless piece of literature I have ever read. This probably explains why most 'Christians' won't touch more than a handful of the twenty or more parables presented by Jesus.

\checkmark	PARABLE:	A women took 3 measures of meal with leaven
	MORAL:	Don't use yeast?
\checkmark	PARABLE:	The prodigal son.
	MORAL:	Eat drink and be merry for tomorrow you will be forgiven?
\checkmark	PARABLE:	The rich man and Lazarus.
	MORAL:	Rich men go to hell? (Surely not)
\checkmark	PARABLE:	Tares and the wheat
	MORAL:	Do the weeding after harvest
\checkmark	PARABLE:	The unjust steward
	MORAL:	If you're going to get caught doing your job badly rip off the boss before he finds out.

The Roman Catholic Church, 'loved' the parables and embraced the imagery with vigour. Metaphors like the one such as the 'beggar and the rich man' were used to develop ideas of what hell might be like, of fiery demons, purgatory and eternal torment. This of course, they accomplished with great impact generating superstition and tools of fear and control.

Jesus came to give the Jews their marching orders and he did not want them to know about it. This is obvious.

'Lazarus and the Richman' makes no sense unless you understand the words of the prophets and the promises of Abraham.

- 1. Lazarus (beggar) is exiled Israel. At that time, at the gates of Palestine amongst the gentiles.
- 2. The Richman represents the Jews: Rich because they had all the treasures of the Kingdom, the synagogue the temple, atonement rituals and the scriptures.
- 3. Lazarus dies: Israel becomes lost, dead to the world, an apparent failure of Gods promise.
- 4. The Richman dies: The Jews are decimated after Titus (70AD) and scattered but still visible.
- 5. Richman in hell: The hell is the Jewish Diaspora, cursed, hated to near extermination.
- 6. Lazarus in the bosom of Abraham: The promises of Abraham protect Israel and she blooms.
- 7. The Richman see's Lazarus and calls for mercy: While the Jews are in their 'hell and torment' during the succeeding centuries they witness, (but don't understand), the Israel nations expanding growing and prospering.
- 8. The gap between them is Christ's sacrifice: The Jewish nation rejected the Messiah outright. Israel weren't given the opportunity, in their dispersion to reject anything and so the nation eventually benefits unconditionally from the Lords sacrifice.
- 9. The Richman's five brothers: Interestingly Judah had five brothers through their common mother Leah. Jesus stamps the identity of the Richman, as the Jews.

The Lord's chastisement consisted of punishment on Israel, punishment on Judah and punishment on Jerusalem (the inhabitants of Jerusalem). The punishment on the city and her inhabitants began with Nebuchadnezzar in 604 BC, it was the inhabitants of Jerusalem, whom Jesus dealt with and gave opportunity to receive the gospel. They rejected the offer and said let his blood be upon our head. All the prophets from Moses detailed clearly what the outcome of disobedients would bring. Jeremiah called *'evil figs'* those who refused to obey God and would not be led away into captivity. The *evil figs* remained in Jerusalem, and he prophesies over them:

Jeremiah 24v9,10 'And I will deliver them, [evil figs], to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth for [their] hurt, [to be] a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse, in all places whither I shall drive them. And I will send the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, among them,

The full extent of the 7-times punishment was poured out on the Jewish nation and we watched as they were led through 'hell'. A curse wherever they went, a reproach to all. They wandered with no home of their own and were tossed through the kingdoms of this earth.

We see in the Jews the fate of all Israel, had not the Lord sacrificed his Son. Israel's punishment, however, was cut short, it was cut in half. Daniel saw this in his vision of a 'week' which had been cut in the middle because of the intervention of the Messiah.

Daniels vision signifies that although Israel entered her period of 7-times punishment in the 8th Century BC she would not serve out her full sentence. So 1260 years later in the 5th and 6th Century AD we see Israel entering 'her place' (Revelations 12v14), 'where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent'.

Note: The last half of the 7-times punishment which would be consummated in annihilation, was used to nourish and feed her instead! Israel, who had died to the world was protected and hid in the bosom of Abraham. The 'by My Word promises' which the Lord had made to Abraham ultimately always will protect her.

Is this an incidental? As Pastor Victor stated [PVS 15JUL08, 18:15].

God had kept his promise to a man who had been dead for thousands of years. There is no consciousness in the grave, Abraham doesn't know or care if the Lord did or didn't keep his word. Most people, even Christians, would not even have noticed.

So why would the Lord bother going through such detail and trouble? Well some people have noticed, and maybe it's an opportunity for them to appreciate an interesting technical challenge.

More importantly to me, I know there is a good chance that one day you and I will be dead and our elements disseminated through the dust of the earth. It is a comfort and blessing to know that the Lord keeps his promises to dead people.

Precise dates for the arrival of the dispersed nations of Israel into their 'appointed place' is complicated because we are witnessing a migration of scattered populations. The bulk of settlement into the British Isles occurs over a couple of centuries.

The punishment period on the City however is precise 604BC – 1917AD. The city and her inhabitants (Jews) did not benefit from the grace the Lord provided for greater Israel. She was not buried and hid from view in safety. The Lord gave her as an example and wanted us to witness it precisely.

The grace which the Lord bestowed upon Israel is highlighted by what has happened to the Jews. They openly rejected the Lords sacrifice and so have been an open example to history.

They are the only portion of all Israel who do not benefit from the Lord's sacrifice. Their rejection meant the punishment period would continue until completion. So 2520 years after the punishment on the city and her inhabitants began, the Jews are tattered, weak, powerless, corrupt, ethnically diluted and homeless, but are still identified as those who were 'consumed off the land' after AD70.

In contrast the Lords 'hidden treasure' has been redeemed. Christ died and now Israel need not mimic the fate of his brother. They were moved to places of safety, in the bosom (promises) of Abraham, hidden from this world.

Early in the 20th Century the punishment on Jerusalem had ended, to the exact year, on time and Jerusalem was taken back, not by the Jews but by Israel. With the punishment period complete, the Jews are on the threshold of final annihilation, (7-times punishment ends with annihilation). It was

termed the 'Final Solution' and it was staring the Jews in the face. The only reason it didn't happen is because their brother, UK/USA stopped it.

The Jews did not wrestle back Jerusalem and Palestine, they were handed it back by their brother (UK/USA). Without the continual support of the Anglo Saxon nations, they would not have survived. The Lord wanted us to see this!

What is the more sure word of prophesy other than; what the Lord says He will do, He will do!

The parable of Lazarus and the Richman is just a single example of revelation given to us as a gift. In it the Lords intent and purpose is outlined historically, the ongoing fulfilment of ancient promises is declared and we grow because our understanding of him is expanded.

If this isn't feeding on his Word, I don't know what is! The prophetic utterances are such a clear and beautiful insight into God's plan...... <u>WHY WHY WHY WHY WHY WHY!!!!!</u> Would we want to give this up just because a few individuals in your senior oversight, who should know better, don't like it!!!!

The history of peoples the working of Gods will is revealed to us as a gift.

Today, in the assemblies left to your care, there are people who have been put out of fellowship because when they heard complete rubbish come from the platform they challenged what had been said, using the scriptures and writings which had come directly from your father.

5. **DIARY OF MAIN EVENTS**

There are reasons why there is a current shift in RCI doctrine and a diary of personal events has been included in order to provide context in support of this allegation. For this motive it contains very detailed information concerning conversations and comments made by various relevant individuals.

Simon, you told me that we moved to Townsville and decided that everything was wrong with the assembly. This couldn't be further from the truth. It was more than a year before I first approached Victor with concerns over the doctrine and nearly a year and a half before I conveyed these same concerns to you.

It has also been suggested that the difficulties between myself and Victor are a result of a personality clash. The facts are, that there were no problems between us until I started raising alarms over what was being said on and off the platform.

We didn't move to Townsville sharing any history with Victor. We held no grudge, we had no previous quarrel. Victor and I had only spoken once before, superficially, at a Melbourne convention.

I am not suggesting in any way that Victor harbours animosity or is 'out to get me' or my family. The falsifying of facts, the manipulation and deceit by Victor is clearly demonstrated in this document. Victors reactions are purely the result of trying to defend a position which is not easy to defend in the light of the Gospel.

His actions are a direct result of being challenged. He has decided on a course for the church and deals with people who oppose his purpose through bullying and dismissal without due cause.

He has fostered paranoia within his oversight who suspect that people opposing his opinion are divisionary and 'wolves in sheep's clothing'. In this way he has hardened many against the scriptures and without them realizing it has developed in them a distrust of God's Word.

The 'Doctrine Irregularities' and 'PVS Talks' section should provide sufficient evidence to highlight the dangerous directions away from Gods Word. The following merely demonstrates the lengths to which he is prepared to compromise his morals in order to persist with that change.

Colin and Faye Reeves have been put out of fellowship for completely unacceptable reasons and in the past so have we.

2006

ISRAEL: GODS WHORE

February: We were invited to the Samoilenko's for supper. Something which they normally do for brethren newly arrived to Townsville.

During the evening Victor asked me about my thoughts concerning 'British Israel' half way through explaining what little I knew he stated that 'Israel was a whore', and 'God will never marry a whore.' They are according to Victor finished and out of the picture concerning Gods word.

Jenni was shocked and went off into the kitchen to talk to Carol. I went to investigate further to see if he had a point.

GOD HAS NO PLAN

Just prior to Easter camp Victor gave a talk based on a book he had read about Quantum physics. The indeterminism of two photons was used as evidence that the universe has no plan and therefore God has no plan. Everything is free choice.

This was something I didn't need to investigate further it was instantly worrying. There had already been comments made about people intellectualizing Gods word mainly in reference to those who seek to understand the promises and the words of the prophets concerning Israel.

Strangely, the fact that some exotic aspect of quantum physics could be extracted and used to suggest that God doesn't plan anything, did not seem by anyone to be intellectualizing.

PASTOR LLOYD: RCI BULLY

During a Sunday talk, Victor described an event which had occurred some years previous between Pastor Lloyd and a man he wanted to put out of fellowship. He uses this anecdote to highlight bad Pastoring. What I found most distasteful was that he used your father in this example by name.

> 'Pastor Lloyd wanted to put someone out of fellowship, who he believed had done something wrong. The man refused to leave because he knew

he was right. But Pastor Lloyd insisted he go. As it turned out the man was right...This is your Church you belong here don't let anyone bully you...'

Someone leaned over and asked me rhetorically, who's the bully in this 'parable'. Whatever past there is between the two, to name Pastor Lloyd is beyond bad manners.

Along with numerous other things which had been expressed privately and in talks, it was becoming obvious that there were issues with Pastor Lloyd and his ministry.

2007

VISION OF THE FLOATING BIBLE

FEBRUARY: At the conclusion to a Sunday prayer and fast Victor discussed what many thought was a vision of God's Word:

While driving back home to Townsville Victor was meditating on the Word he imagined he saw a bible hovering in front of him 'so close I could have reached out and touched it.'

As he looked the pages opened up in front of him and he saw the words. While he continued to look at the words they began to; '...change into pictures, colour pictures. The

pictures then began to swirl around and around and all I could see was the potential of God's Word. I then heard a voice come from behind me, (*No comment...*), which asked "is this the word of God?". I thought for a moment and then said, no, the word of God is more than this....'

After the prayer and fast concluded I heard various remarks concerning the 'vision' which ranged from, 'Is Ps Vic off with the pixies' to a comment from a member of oversight who thought the vision was absolutely wonderful and he wished he could have one too.

We had been in Townsville now for over a year and I had become increasingly concerned over what was being preached from the TRC platform. Up until this stage I had said very little. I'd put off as long as possible making comment, but after the 'vision' I decided things needed to be said.

I was very reluctant to cause waves, we were fitting in well, I was getting on with Victor organizing regular lunches for the 'boys', I was giving talks, Jenni was involved in music and a play production.

I had no idea how Victor would react to criticism and I was not looking forward to approaching him. Sunday night I drove around town for three hours plucking up the courage to phone him and ask him to talk.

I eventually did ring and we arranged to have a meeting the next day at the C-Bar café.

C-BAR CAFÉ: (First meeting with Victor)

Our meeting lasted for approximately 3 hours.

After some chit-chat we discussed concerns I had regarding aspects of doctrine being preached from the platform and disturbing admissions expressed to me privately.

I began with the 'vision' he described at the last Sunday meeting and the comments from various individuals afterwards. He corrected me and said it was not a vision but just some thoughts he was having while driving along.

I agreed with him since I never suspected that he thought it was a vision. (Victor is an intelligent man and I believe there is usually a reason and intent in whatever he says. If it wasn't a vision however, then what the heck was it).

Besides the issues concerning Israel and Gods plan, I advised him that the animosity he seemed to have towards Ps Lloyd was coming through comments he had been making.

An example I used was the 'bully pastor' story he had told the assembly. Victor became agitated and defensive. I expressed the thought that perhaps he inadvertently used Pastor

Lloyds name to make the point.

I knew there had been issues between Victor and your father. In previous private conversations Victor made this quite obvious. One example was an incident which occurred a number of years ago. Simon you should recall this because apparently you were there.

Victor told me that you were both at Ps Lloyd's home about the time when he was handing over the reins of the RCI into your care. Apparently during the meeting your father instructed Victor to 'Pledge allegiance' to you. Victor informed Ps Lloyd that he would not pledge allegiance to any man and all his loyalty belongs to the Lord.

According to Victor, after hearing this your father became infuriated, red with anger and began to insist. Victor held his ground and did not cave in to more bullying. I reminded Victor of these types of anecdotes to let him now that there must be a problem. Why on earth would Victor tell these stories to me if there wasn't a major difficulty.

The purpose of bringing these points to his attention was to let him know he was exhibiting ill feeling towards Pastor Lloyd publicly. Victor was becoming very agitated and I was becoming very self conscious about the fact that I was making him feel uncomfortable. I did not wish to turn this into anything personal. I told Victor that whatever history lead to this situation was between him and Ps Lloyd.

Simon, many months later when we talked about this you filled me in on aspects of the history between the two, which then made sense to me. There is no need to go into details here, but if you recall you said your father was completely correct in what he did at the time.

In order to gain some empathy with Victor and make him feel comfortable I told him that I am not a 'cult' follower of Pastor Lloyd and that I do not necessarily believe that everything he has ever said is necessarily correct. (Although I have found that this is usually a good place to start).

The example I used was an anomaly I suspected, nine years ago, in one aspect only of the morals policy. I wrote a three page comment on this anomaly and sent a copy to you and one to my pastor at the time Ian McGregor.

The point I made in the comment was not refuted by either yourself or Ian and was considered 'a good point' by both. This was nine years ago and after I made the case the matter as far as I was concerned was dropped.

I did not fill Victor in on any of the detail, but tried to illustrate that I was not criticising him for having a disagreement with Pastor Lloyd, rather that it was both impolite and unwise to openly criticise Pastor Lloyd. I had unwittingly handed Victor the means by which to neutralize the perceived threat. Victor has been using what I told him, ever since. Even though he is ignorant of what I had written nine years ago, he has privately told his oversight and many others that I have a problem with the Morals Policy and that I am therefore a threat to the ministry.

Members of his oversight have ignorantly perpetuated this view, not knowing what the story is or ever discussing it with me and have told others in the TRC that this is the reason I can't be used in the Townsville ministry.

I have been aware of this for a long time. Puzzled assembly folk have come to me enquiring about this matter.

Unfortunately Simon, this places me in a difficult situation. To defend myself all I needed do was resubmit what I had written to you and Pastor Ian for common consideration. This would show clearly that I am and have always been in support of the policy. It would however rouse fresh debate.

Simon, in reality I am not in a difficult situation I have never contemplated raising this as an issue to stir up some self defence. I have worn it for the last few years, as you well and truly know!

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I then tried to discuss with Victor, aspects of doctrine concerning Gods plan, Israel and the promises. The narrative in the scriptures should be clear to any pastor in the RCI:

- Israel was redeemed and is no longer seen as a harlot.
- God has redeemed his bride and has removed her sin so far away not even He can see it.

You can't call Israel a whore. If you went down the street and told some bloke his wife was a whore he'd probably give you a set of knuckle prints on your nose.

Most people or groups probably don't know any better. But we certainly do and it was always an expectation of your father, (correct me if I'm wrong), that people in the oversight should have some idea, what's going on in the scriptures.

The meeting with Victor did not end well. This was obvious when just before parting he told me a story of someone who had aggressively and openly confronted you. The individual was later collard and informed that the body of Christ has many parts, Victor looked at me very deliberately, pointed and said '*you're the arse hole!*'

After this lovely analogy we parted.

CAFÉ MEETING AFTERMATH

I was not upset by being appointed the most 'uncomely body part.' Where would we be without it?

Immediately following our coffee shop discussions Victor rang several pastors, yourself included. He also rang me afterwards and informed me that he had just spoken to Ps Ian McGregor and that they were in complete agreement concerning the scriptures and anything contrary to this were just misunderstandings.

I rang Pastor Ian to congratulate him on this new found unity. He told me that the main reason for Victors call was to complain about me. (Ps Ian is in the best situation to explain the gross difference that existed and still exist).

During the months following my discussion with Victor I was treated more or less as if I had severe Leprosy. Naturally my new condition wasn't made clear to me but I was immediately taken off speakers rosters and was not asked to open or close in prayer, even when house meetings were at my own home. (A very good sign of fear of contagion).

Victor set about informing his oversight that I had problems with the Morals Policy and that I was a known trouble maker in every assembly I had been in. The details of my 'problems' with the policy were not explained to them. It would have been difficult since he did/does not know himself.

MACKAY MAY RALLY:

Several months passed and a new status quo was reached, in this one I was 'managed' and under the watchful suspicion of the oversight. I kept quiet and allowed time for Victor to cool-off and perhaps come-around to some extent, concerning issues I had raised with him.

He did not, and seemed quite happy with the way things were going.

At the time of the Mackay Rally in May I rang you, as you may recall, for the first time since we arrived in Townsville almost one and a half years prior. We discussed my concerns and in particular the matters I had raised with Victor.

During our conversation you filled me in on some of the details which provided an understanding of the origins of the friction between Pastor Lloyd and Victor. You also told me how you became the intermediary between the two and developed a more personal relationship with him. You made it quite clear that in matters pertaining to these conflicts your father was absolutely correct in the actions and expectations he had made on Victor.

During our discussion you were informed that Pastor Victor had been making his disdain for

much of RCI ministry known. You were advised that much of what we have understood from scripture concerning God's promises to Israel was considered irrelevant by him.

Pastor Victors main reasoning for this position was based on the assumption that 'native peoples' are largely uneducated and so talk concerning Israel, Britain, history etc is meaningless to them.

You scoffed at this and told me in PNG they 'love the stuff'. You said, they'll listen to a talk by your father on BI and when it's finished they can't wait to rewind and play it again.

We discussed at length the doctrinal irregularities which had developed in Townsville and you advised me that I needed to talk to Victor. You seemed confident that he would eventually come-around. The optimism you expressed was based on past successes you had when correcting him.

My experiences, both before and after, have not been as successful. I put it to you, that Pastor Simon Longfield as Victors pastor speaking to him, is quite different from Alan (Leper) Ansic squeaking in his ear.

(Your father would have told me not to worry, sit still and he would have defended the doctrine himself).

SECOND MEETING WITH VICTOR: JUNE

During a Wednesday night meeting Victor said, '...we don't need this, (holding up the slab of scripture between his fingers known as the Old Testament), all we need to read is this, the New Testament because we are new testament people.'

This was a very bold statement and quite wrong. After the meeting I went with Victor into his office to discuss my objection. In particular 2Timothy3v14-17 was on my mind. The discussion did not get far before Victor changed the subject and asked me if I wanted to start giving talks again. I said off course I enjoy giving talks, but that's irrelevant.

Before we could discuss anything further he got up and left urgently because he was going away and needed to pack.

Trying to pin Victor down to discuss anything is very difficult. He did not try to engage and explain what he had said during his talk. Either I wasn't worth the effort or he couldn't.

THE 'WACKO' TALK by Alan Ansic: JULY: (Available on DVD)

I gave my first talk since our first meeting when Victor explained to me which part of the body of Christ I represented . The talk emphasized the place of the Church in God's plan, the fulfilment of the promises to Israel and Abraham and the importance of His Word as the authority for the Church. All fairly basic stuff.

While it was generally well received the talk caused a tumult amongst the oversight who did not seem to understand or want to understand. A 'committee' it would seem was put together to deal with the matter and Gerry (oversight), who was not present for the talk, approached Victor (also not present) to deal with me because of the damage the talk had caused.

The conversation between Gerry and Victor occurred very indiscreetly in the middle of the hall and was over heard by several individuals and in particular a sister who was shocked by what she had heard since she thought there was nothing wrong with the talk.

The talk was considered so offensive that at the following meeting Ben (oversight) was compelled to give a rebuttal talk. A further rebuttal was given following that.

MEETING WITH BEN SUI

Following the rebuttals the task of taking me aside and dealing with the 'problem' was given to Ben. He advised me that the talk was a threat to the unity of the fellowship. I wanted to know what aspects of my talk were incorrect or wrong. After some thought he said it wasn't what I said, it was the way I said it.

Ben went on to say that 'I was a known trouble maker in all the assemblies I had been in'. I asked him how he would know this since he hasn't spent too much time in assemblies outside of Townsville and he certainly hasn't been a member of the Sydney assembly which I came from.

Victor, of course, had already passed on this vital information to his oversight. I was a trouble maker because of what people had told him from Sydney, Melbourne and Hobart. He also said that I had trouble with the doctrine, in particular our morals policy.

A pastor who recently 'found himself in court' complained from the platform, about the treatment he'd received under cross examination. '...anybody can throw anything at anybody and it's very hard then to defend yourself...' (Pastor Victor, Sunday 10Dec08)

How true it is, especially when thrown behind your back. I am sure in court the accusations were made to Victors face and he probably had

opportunity to respond.

After deliberately creating an air of suspicion it is little wonder that the Townsville oversight have been wary of me. Why shouldn't anyone just believe what their pastor says about another brother?... (Well, I can think of one reason, 1Timothy5v19).

I gave Ben Pastor Ian McGregor's contact details and advised him to call and get a reference first hand. Pastor Ian was my Sydney pastor and knowing Ian as you should, I am sure you are aware that if it were true and I was trouble in the body of Christ then Ian would not be my friend.

Up to this day Ben hasn't taken up my offer and I am not aware of any attempt to correct the lie that has been spread.

Please keep in mind: I don't believe that Victor has any specific vendetta or grudge which he holds against the Ansic's. He has been unable to defend his stand against Ps Lloyds ministry using scripture.

Frustrated by not being automatically believed by someone in his congregation, he has sought to manage the situation by other means and these include, lying, fabrication of falsehoods, innuendo and misleading testimony in order to discredit anyone who would oppose his direction.

It is very difficult to respond to the allegation of being a 'trouble maker' The onus of proof however, should not be on the accused. The burden of proof should be with the one making the allegation: An allegation is not proof!

Ben admitted that the content of my talk could not be faulted. His objection concerned the way in which I presented it, this is what caused the offence.

I listened to the talk again and tried to find the intangible points of offence but was unable to.

I made some copies of the DVD and including Ben's rebuttal and sent it to Pastor Ian McGregor for a second opinion. I wanted someone I respected to judge it just in case I missed something.

Apparently I hadn't missed anything but if you would like to ask Ian's opinion on both talks I am sure he would be happy to give it. Other copies of the talk have been made, (not by me) and quite a few people outside of Townsville have listened to it also.

It has been well over 18months since I gave that talk and as a consequence of its contents and/or 'the way I gave it' I have not been asked to give another.

Pastor Martin Pree can confirm this, he was told directly, by Victor that this was the case.

The talk is available to any who would like to hear it. Simon you were asked several times to look at it, by me and also by Pastor Ian McGregor. So far it appears that you haven't. In March last year I asked you to please have a look at it, you told me you would...Have you kept your promise?

The talk is significant not because it marks the last time I'll be asked to give a talk, but because of the reaction it caused in Victor's senior ranks. The reaction clearly demonstrates the path away from scripture Victor has been taking.

Had I woken up at two in the morning with some half baked idea for a talk that reads like a cheap paper back on the powers of positive thinking and attached a couple of scriptures to give it credibility, the rickety construction would have been applauded and I would have been a regular speaker for the rest of my days.

I was already well aware at the time that large sections of the bible were becoming unfashionable so I really only have myself to blame......and the scriptures......and God......and of course your father.

AUGUST 2007 CONVERSATION PASTOR SIMON LONGFIELD

As you should recall I rang you in the aftermath caused by the Wacko talk. I also rang to clarify the accusation made by Ben that I was a known trouble maker.

I asked you straight out if this had come from you and if there was something I did not know that I should . You gave an emphatic 'no'.

I asked if Wendi may have said something which could have been used by Victor against Jenni or myself. An offhand comment perhaps or words out of context? You said you doubted it but obviously you couldn't know for sure.

I discussed with you the doctrine problems in Townsville again, the reaction to the Wacko talk and the continued opposition to your fathers ministry. I informed you that I took your direction and 'squeaked' in Victors ears but that it was to no avail.

You seemed to be very sympathetic and at the time told me to go back to Victor ('squeak', in his ear again), and ask him, 'who do you think we will be ruling and reigning over in the millennium!'

After all that had happened, you have no idea how encouraged I was to hear you say that. There had been a number of rumours going around concerning your resolve with the Word of God and I was very unsure if I would get any support from you. I wouldn't exactly call your directive to me support but it indicated that the rest of RCI was still in safe hands.

I asked you to please look at the DVD of the offending talk in order to give you some idea of the doctrine being reacted to. You said you would. Have you?

PHONE MEETING WITH VICTOR

Following your directive, I phoned instead of visiting Victor, since he was out of Townsville and residing in the Gold Coast. I asked if we could meet when next back in Town to discuss the reaction caused by my talk. He was reluctant to meet one-on-one, because he's fairly busy and so we talked at length over the phone.

During the conversation it was suggested that I needed to go to Africa, sit in the dirt with some of the assembly natives and be inspired by their faith. He assured me that having done this I would realize that B.I. etc is just a lot of . . .

The 'dot, dot, dot,' isn't because I'm too polite to fill in the gap. Victor stopped short of filling in the gap and allowed me to use my imagination, after hesitating slightly he continued, '...well you know what I mean.' (I certainly did know what he meant).

Before the phone call finished he did agree to meet with me.

MEETING AT C-BAR CAFÉ #2

After returning to Townsville I caught up with Victor. He reiterated the African experience and how this somehow supersedes knowledge and understanding of Gods plan and purpose. He had effectively concluded that native assembly Africans have a faith and a relationship with the Lord resulting from an unsophisticated uncluttered lifestyle.

The purity of their relationship is such that they have no need of pastors or oversight, every spirit filled person instinctively works together in common purpose. In order to experience this myself I was invited again to go with Victor on his next African trip.

I discussed with him the meeting I had with Ben and what I considered to be an unnecessary, over the top reaction, to a talk straight out of scripture. I did not bring up the issue of his colouring of facts concerning the Ansic's and the wake of trouble we have caused or my alleged rejection to the morals policy.

I asked him to please look at the talk and draw his own conclusions. He told me, 'I owe you at least that .'

The second meeting at the C-Bar finished considerably more congenially then the first.

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WEEK BEGINNING MARCH 9TH: EXCOMMUNICATION

Sunday

During the Sunday morning talk March 9th Victor proudly announced that he was only now preaching what he actually believed after all these years. I'm not too sure if anyone actually understood what he meant from the comment, but it certainly did not go unnoticed.

A certain lady the wife of a member of oversight left the meeting quickly but quietly in tears. (Simon you are well aware of this event). I am not sure if it was that particular comment by Victor which triggered her reaction but she is normally a very controlled person, not one who I would say is prone to overt emotionalism.

Towards the end of the between meeting break the lady in question, her husband and Victor were discussing her concerns outside the entrance to the hall. Since the conversation was not held in a discrete location it was obvious to anyone passing by that Victor was quite heated at times and clearly agitated. Their conversation carried on into the afternoon talk.

At the afternoon meeting's conclusion we had an assembly picnic at a local park for Lyn, who had just return back to Townsville after extended medical treatment for a terminal illness. Pastor Victor announced from the platform that upon her arrival we were not to embrace or kiss Lyn since she was on immune suppressants. Overt physical displays of affection could 'kill her.'

On Lyn's arrival Victor overcome with emotion couldn't control himself and gave her a big hug anyway. Jenni was standing amongst a group of several woman when one of them asked why is it he, [Victor] was allowed to give Lyn a kiss and a hug when he had just stressed to us not to, for health reasons.

Another woman in the same group said, 'Victor is like a father to us all.'

Jenni was also overcome with emotion and upon hearing this *smultch*, reacted in a way that most people, I believe would, no matter who that comment was made about and spontaneously responded with, 'He's not my father!'

Unfortunately for Jenni Victor's wife was standing behind her and heard the heresy.

As a consequence of the argument Victor had several hours earlier, with the *lady and her husband*, he had decided that my presence in Townsville was causing advanced negativity

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and during the course of the afternoon pastor Victor had taken aside, one-by-one various members of his oversight to inform them of this danger.

When it was time for people to begin leaving the park, where we had our picnic for Lyn, Victor made a point of saying a very pleasant good-bye to Jenni while completely ignoring my presence next to her. It was such an obvious snub that Jenni commented to me about it straight away.

She didn't need to tell me I knew something was up, but I had absolutely no idea what or why it was up. I did notice that his attitude to me had changed from pleasant and friendly before his argument outside the front of the hall, to cold and unfriendly after his little exchange.

I was bewildered as to what connection I had with the dispute outside the hall, but it seemed more than just a coincidence that animosity was directed to me afterwards.

Jenni and I did not have to wait long before finding out.

Within ten minutes of leaving the park Victor had returned looking quite infuriated. It was discovered later that by the time Vic and his wife had got to the car she had informed him of what Jenni had said, (the previous mentioned heresy) and we were duly summoned to his house for the following night without any specified reason given.

Monday

We arrived the following evening as requested to discover that we weren't the only invited guests. Three selected members of oversight were also present.

Simon, you should recall the event since Victor phoned you soon after he had his heated discussion with the 'certain' lady and her husband. He called you to complain about us and the 'atmosphere of negativity' which had descended on his otherwise peaceful happy group since we arrived in Townsville.

The three invited oversight consisted of Ben, Gerry and Angelo. These were selected by Victor presumably to act as witnesses.

Jen and I had no idea what this was about or why these other three were present. We were merely told on the Sunday to be at his place the following night.

We sat down and without wasting time Victor commenced the accusations. These included: Showing disdain for the oversight, the assembly and him. We were also accused of Sowing

discord among the brethren.

We were then given several ultimatums:

- 1. Go back to Sydney
- 2. Find some other church in Townsville
- 3. Learn to like us.

We were given until the Wednesday night meeting to decide which way we wanted to go. If we arrived 'with big smiles on our faces.' then it would be concluded that we had agreed to the terms and we would be able to stay.

Jenni always has a big smile on her face! Just about every single Sunday since we arrived in Townsville she has made some sort of cake and personally presented a slice to Victor, as well as others.

Myself on the other hand, I spend most of my time looking like a miserable old grump. Usually a result of lack of sleep, who cares?

Did he cite a solitary conversation in support of the accusations against us?... A single sentence spoken which caused division?... A solitary word perhaps?...No, no and no.

Well I suppose Jenni was quite adamant in the park that Victor wasn't her father.

This is the only time Victor had taken either one of us aside to discuss these issues. In fact at no other time had we been taken aside by any of the oversight to discuss our delinquent ways.

The closest to this was when Ben, almost six months prior, took me to task over 'the way' I gave, the Wacko talk. As you know, that talk is available for any to judge for themselves.

I raised my hand and asked if I could say something and I was told, 'no we do not want to hear what you have to say.'

I'll repeat that: I asked if I could say something and was told. 'No we do not want to hear what you have to say.'

(Even as I type this out, and this happened almost twelve months ago, it staggers me that someone would think they have the power and the right to speak to anybody like this and get away with it in front of witnesses. Who gave him this power? Should he keep it?)

Not one of the three witnesses present raised an objection or said a word. Not one of them protested or indicated that anything seemed strangely unfair or disrespectful. They all seemed quite pleased with the results.

We were then ushered out of his house the whole process efficiently completed within five minutes.

Monday Night Late: The certain lovely lady and her husband.

Slightly shocked from the little get together at Victor's house we drove to the residence of the couple who had the altercation with Victor at the Sunday meeting.

We spoke to the husband who is a prominent member of the Townsville oversight, I told him of the meeting we had with Pastor Victor. I asked him straight out if the heated conversation he and his wife had outside the hall with Victor had anything to do with us being summoned to his house.

He was shocked that I thought there was a connection and said absolutely not. He informed us the conversation between himself, his wife and Victor was personal and had nothing to do with us what-so-ever.

He then confided some elements of the conversation and stated that his wife had been feeling 'sad' for some time about things, but that this 'sadness,' as he called it, had begun well before we arrived in Townsville.

He also asked us not to reveal this information to anyone because of it's personal nature, his wife would be very embarrassed.

Tuesday Morning: Protest to Pastor Simon

I rang you obviously furious about what had happened and especially over the disrespect shown to Jenni.

I was surprised to learn that you knew the meeting was taking place before we did. The first thing you said to me was, 'I told you Alan, to keep your head down.' (Reflecting now, you actually directed me several times to see Victor concerning issues, I mistakenly thought you would be interested in).

Victor had rung you after the heated discussion he'd had at the front of the hall with the lady and her husband. I found it interesting that he would ring you first. Does he normally consult with you before dealing with people? Were you consulted prior to Faye and Colin Reeves being put out of fellowship?

More than likely because we are related he wanted to sound out your reaction. You said he

rang you in tears, to tell that the Ansic's were wreaking havoc in his Church and he didn't know what to do.

He used the 'lady' who left the meeting upset and with whom he argued later outside the hall, as prima-facie evidence of our negative influence.

The story as you described to me was; '... this once lovely lady, always happy, has become depressed and unhappy...the depression we had caused in her was the last straw and he [Victor] was no longer prepared to tolerate us.'

Victor of course provided no example of how we achieved this The fact that he said we were responsible was good enough. There was no evidence of misconduct, no quotes of things which I had said or malicious conversations. But he did have tears, apparently, when he spoke to you.

Having received your blessings, the tears ceased. In fact the next day as we walked up Victors driveway to be accused he greeted us theatrically at his door with some stupid limerick about 'Welcoming us to the Zoo...' There was no sense that he was in anyway stressed, quite the opposite he seemed thoroughly pleased with himself.

Tuesday: Negative Vibe Generator

During the day, as you are aware there were numerous phone calls between you and me and between yourself and Victor.

At one point you tried explaining how someone may unwittingly become a negative influence on an assembly without even realising it. For this you used, Alf Neri who had recently left the fellowship as an example.

Before continuing with the example, you did say it was probably an unfair comparison, (thank you).

Alf was likened unto a small vibrating source of negativity in the otherwise quite harmonious millpond of assembly life. Any disturbance in the pond radiates out, unsettling all the other pond creatures.

The origin of the disorder may not be identified at the far reaches of the pool, the creatures there do not necessarily realise what is causing the commotion, but they are none-the-less impacted upon without necessarily ever knowing why.

What I like about this model is that it requires no evidence, no substantiation of allegations, needs no collecting of proof, no confirmation of facts. Just apply to anyone you suspect of being a negative vibe generator and you're done.

It was a lovely little gift for Pastor Victor.

I would like to point out that in your own words Alf had specific allegations brought to him concerning various aspects of assembly policy. He openly disagreed with them and on several occasions you had discussions at length and in detail with him.

Eventually he was approached and asked if he was going to continue talking against various policies. When he said no, you probably rightly asked him to leave. This at least is what I understood the situation to be after speaking with you.

Towards the end of the day I was particularly exhausted. I had very little sleep since Sunday night and had been on the phone for hours talking to you and then you talking to Victor and then back to me... etc etc.

The prima-facia evidence was never brought up again, obviously a bit embarrassing. Nothing new was brought to light no evidence of the allegations which were presented to Jenni and me on the Monday evening. We were however, left with the 'negative vibe generator'.

It is almost flattering to think I am in possession of such persuasive power that without saying a single recordable word, I am able to take grounded people who have been in the fellowship for decades and with a single unspecified action have them drop dead around me with depression.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON: EXCOMMUNICATION

Towards the end of a very long day Victor and I finally spoke one-on-one

The conversation began with Victor asking me to just listen for five minutes before saying anything. So I did listen and didn't say a word while he listed all the things wrong with Jenni and me. In generalised unsubstantiated terms he reiterated and expanded upon his initial allegations. He said:

- The things which I have been saying to other people have been poison. (Without specifying what had been said).
- Our influence in the assembly has been divisionary. (Without suggesting how so)
- That prior to our arrival everything was peace and harmony in his church.

HOWEVER: After closer to ten minutes of telling me that every problem in the assembly is somehow connected to the Ansic's he did concede the following:

- He thought even though our presence had caused havoc he believed that we perhaps had done all these things unintentionally.
- He asked as an 'olive branch' if I would like to come to the next officers meeting to get an idea of what 'they are trying to do.'

This certainly was a conciliatory gesture, or as good as it gets for Victor. Had he skipped the ten minute self serving justification and simply said let's just forget the last few of days. It would have simply been forgotten.

But, he couldn't and after three days and only two hours of sleep the only thing that was rattling around in my head for the last ten minutes was *Victor mate, you need to retire,* and that's exactly what I said and the only thing I said.

He told me I was out of fellowship and we hung up.

CONCLUSION

What was the last week all about?:

Having established that Neither myself or Jenni had anything to answer for it's astounding that you didn't twig to what is going on. The only thing that I have been campaigning for that's been in any way controversial in Townsville has been issues concerning doctrine.

Simon you know this, from May 2007 to March 2008, that's all we've talked about on the phone, countless hours! You even confessed that when you talk to me or Pastor Ian McGregor the only thing we discuss is God's Word, the millennium, the Vision, His plan. When you talk to Victor you said it's all about his latest toys, car or anything else superficial.

Victor has whittled the Word of God down into a package which effectively dismisses all the prophets, most of the parables and any cohesive sensible understanding of the book of Revelations. He has cast doubt and shadows over most of the bible and therefore will not tolerate discussion on most aspects of Pastor Lloyd's ministry.

I've been accused by Victor of poisoning, creating division and discord:

The poison I've been spreading, the divisions I've been causing, the discord I've been sowing for the last three years involves telling people that the Word of God is correct. That the Lord will and has done what he says he will do and that he has revealed it to us because it is his good pleasure to do so and we are his friends.

Victor admits in his very talks [*PVS 15JUL08*] that these are things which he considers are divisionary... I'm guilty as charged..., mystery solved.

Wednesday: Guilt by association, Jenni and kids thrown out.

The conversation I had with Victor I assumed was between me and him. I had decided to take some time off from work to be on my own and as far as Jenni was concerned she was going to do what was instructed of her by Victor and go to the meeting that night with a 'big smile'.

When she arrived the kids ran straight into the meeting as usual, but Jenni was intercepted by Victor who was waiting for her at the entrance to the hall. In full view of everyone coming in and out, he barred entry.

Jenni remembers the conversation word for word. It was one of the most disturbing experiences she has had in the Lord, because growing up in the RCI she always considered the church a place of safety and never countenanced that she could be thrown out of fellowship for zero reason.

She arrived and met Victor with a smile on her face as directed. The conversation started with Victor and went thus:

'You can't come in.'

'But I am doing everything you asked me to do.' (Come to the meeting with a big smile on her face).

'No that all changed because of the phone conversation I had with Alan yesterday'

'That was between you and Alan.'

'No, you're involved too. You know what your husband called me? He said I was an old man.'

'I don't think that is what Alan said.'

'I built this Church over 30 years ago.'

'And I've been in the fellowship since I was four.'

'Not in this fellowship.'

'I thought we were all one fellowship.'

'This is my church.'

'What about Georgia she's spirit filled.'

'You'll have to take care of her.'

Jenni then went into the hall took the kids out who were in tears all the way home.

Various individuals were walking in with Jenni and heard the whole sorry story. Victor wasn't being discreet. The letter you received later on was a consequence of people observing their pastor in action.

Thursday/Friday: Out of fellowship

When I heard Jenni and the Children had been put out of fellowship I returned to Townsville.

Over the next two days word had got out in other assemblies that we had been put out of fellowship. People had rung, including pastors offering support! You had been contacted by phone and email on our behalf from people who were concerned.

In such a climate It would appear that the way I could have caused the greatest amount of controversy was to simply stay out of fellowship and let things take their course. Let Victor explain way he put a family out for no reason. (Yes, that's right I told him he needed to retire and for that my family was gone too).

Towards the end of the week things were escalating quickly. A pastor rang and told me he would support a separate fellowship in Townsville. There was only one way this escalation would stop. I rang up and apologised to Victor for saying he needed to retire and asked him how do we move on from here. (Not bad for someone hell bent on causing division).

We chattered pleasantly for ten minutes and he reiterated the belief that we caused major problems in his Church, that Angelo (oversight) had said that he likes me but the things that I say are poison.

I asked for an example of the poison he was talking about so I could use it for reference. He couldn't think of any example, I didn't push for one. He made it clear that he thought that we were basically good at heart and did not do what we did, (whatever it was), deliberately.

I said to him in order to move on it would be necessary to deal with misconceptions and rumours, (slander deliberately initiated), concerning 'my past as a trouble maker' and supposed opposition to the moral policy. He said he would sort it out, (Obviously being the deliberate source of the 'misconceptions' he never did what he promised).

He made a similar promise to Jenni a few weeks later. She said that the misconceptions needed to be dealt with. Again he did not do what he promised.

After my apology Victor rang you. You told me he sounded very relieved. He sounded very relieved to me as well, little wonder. As much as he has tried to tell you that we are a problem in the Townsville assembly, the facts are my kids are generally liked, Jenni's liked by the vast majority at least and I'm probably liked by someone.

Of course he was relieved! His actions had the potential to be a complete embarrassment for him in front of the whole church. He booted out my family for **no** legitimate reason!

Colin and Faye Reeves

For a moment let's move ahead a year to Faye and Colin Reeves:

The Ansics are noisy socially active and are well known in quite a few assemblies. This makes dealing with things a bit awkward, it is a lot harder to sweep affairs under the carpet. Hence, Victor was a bit unsure how you would react to him dealing with us so he sounded you out first.

Did he ring you before dealing with the Reeves?

The Reeves were put out in March this year, (their story is in section one), these are relatively quiet people, especially Colin. They started in Melbourne under your fathers ministry and received a good grounding and respect for the Word of God. They are a couple who have been in the fellowship for the best part of thirty years.

Good, good people put out of fellowship, for no legitimate reason. Colin didn't even suggest that Victor needed to retire. They were discharged from fellowship without a single peep.

Now that we're specialising in talks about how we love each other. Every meeting is full of preaching about the care concern and the respect for the brethren. Just words.

The Reeves were put out and no one has been overly concerned. They have been allowed to quietly slip off into the night.

No need for Victor to feel pressure here the situation is easily managed, just create a credible story and spread it around. Colin won't even defend himself in case he offends a brother.

PASTOR MARTIN PREE: TOWNSVILLE RALLY MAY 2008

During the Townsville rally Martin and Jacki Pree were our guests for the weekend. They were invited to the Samoilenko's for afternoon tea.

Fairly soon after arriving Ps Victor informed them of the following concerns he had about the Ansics:

- Alan has a problem with the RCI morals policy
- Alan gave a 'Wacko' talk which sent the Townsville officers into a tail spin.
- The Ansics are generally a problem and if they stick their head up one more time 'I won't be as tolerant as I've been in the past, their gone.'

Victor was just about to launch into a further assault when Marty interrupted him to stop and discuss something else.

It was just a month earlier Victor approached Jenni in the foyer held her hand and told her that he loved her, (sisterly). He said after what happened, (being put out of fellowship etc), he trusted that everything could be put behind them.

It was then that Jenni asked Victor about the perceptions that had been spread concerning me.

Victor said I can't use Alan because he is against the 'morals policy.'

Jenni informed him that I do not have a problem with it. To which Victor replied 'That's good then.'

'No its not,' Jenni said 'because all the oversight think he has.'

Victor patted her hand and said. 'Oh, I'll sort that out. I'll fix it.'

'I'll sort it out. I'll fix it.' Is the same thing Victor told me except he didn't hold my hand when he said it.

Simon, you said to me that neither you nor Victor spend their waking days thinking about and discussing me or my family. You were indicating no doubt that I had become paranoid.

'The Ansics are a problem where ever they go. Alan has an attitude problem and disagrees with RCI policies and is therefore unusable and must be watched carefully.'

Even if you read it slowly it wouldn't take more than a minute, 'waking days' are not required. This is the seed that Victor has sown since our first discussion over doctrine

back in Feb07. The seed was sown in order to manage the situation by neutralising me. What he was saying from the platform and in private was being rightfully challenged.

He is unable to defend his position from scripture and so other tactics have been employed. I don't need to be the centre of his discussions. Having sown the seed he merely waters it every now and then.

The ground is fertile, he's a dominating personality and most of the oversight in the TRC hang off every word he says. If he declares we are bad then no-one here will seek to validate this. (In actual fact you haven't bothered either, have you looked at the 'Wacko' talk yet?)

TWELVE MONTHS PASS

It has become fairly obvious to me that you have given Victor unqualified support. He does not seem to need to explain his action to anyone and you do not seem prepared to receive any criticism relating to him no matter how potentially damaging to the Church.

If you're not interested what does a member of the fellowship do. I've been warned indirectly through Pastor Martin Pree that if my head sticks up again Victor will chop it off. It won't just be my head of course, it will be Jenni's, Georgia's and Ruby's also.

Preferring not to put my family at further risk and considering that getting help from you was just banging my head against the wall, I have been keeping my head well and truly down for the best part of the year.

During the last 12 months the platform ministry has deteriorated further and Victor has become more confident and has been displaying more and more contempt for your father's ministry. His talks reveal this truth very clearly and he is back to mentioning Pastor Lloyd by name for purposes of a negative example.

Within the context of this climate I have given thought to where a member of the fellowship goes from here? There are two obvious choices the first is to protect your own interests and not resist that which is clearly wrong.

The other is to leave. This is the most interesting choice because in my entire 33 years in RCI it has been boasted from the platform by virtually every pastor at some point; *'...as soon as we start changing the Word of God kick us off!'* (Or sentiments to that effect).

These bold affirmations have been a source of pride repeated often by members of RCI to friends and family to demonstrate the seriousness of intent we have towards God and all He stands for and has declared by His Word.

To leave under these circumstances seems like the obvious choice. But at what point of deviation from His Word do you leave? It has never been a question that I needed to consider up until know.

The Lord provides understanding when needed. It has become clear that you don't leave the assembly!

If however, something needs to be said and you know what to say then you better say it! If you don't know what needs to be said, no fuss, continue in the Word and prayer, your conscious is clear.

The conclusion is you do not desert the fellowship. The only honourable way to leave is to be put out for upholding the Word of God!

It is only recently, that I had ever considered it possible to be removed from the RCI for upholding the Word of God. Colin and Faye Reeves have been the first people I have known to be put out for precisely this reason. There is no evidence to the contrary.

Should they be supported?