

Implications of the New Anointing

If there has been one distinguishing characteristic of popular Charismatic, Pentecostal and even Evangelical Christianity at the turn of this millennium, it has been the pursuit of the “New Thing”, the “great endtimes revival” which would sweep the world into the Kingdom and usher in the “greatest move of God ever seen”, greater even than in the book of the Acts. Through the prophecies and teachings of Charismatic leaders, an expectation has developed of a last days cutting edged church, moving in such power and anointing that world leaders would search out the wisdom of their leaders and whole nations would fall trembling at their feet! In spite of the fact that there is no scriptural justification for this fantasy, it appeals to the desire in a good many Christians to be seen as relevant and powerful. Millions around the world have bought into it, as evidenced by the immediate pilgrimages to such sites as Toronto, Pensacola and many other lesser locations designated as having received the “New Anointing”.

In three years estimates of up to a half million people visited Toronto Airport Vineyard, and stood in lines at times for three and four hours waiting to come into the church! And for what were they waiting? Not for the preaching and teaching of the Word of God, as much as for an experience with the “presence of the Lord”! such experiences ranged from uncontrollable laughter, to guttural roaring, crying, prophesying, being slain in the spirit, put into trances, and even for many, being put into such an altered state of consciousness, they made animal noises! It was not the Word of the Lord as much as an unmediated experience of “the presence” of the Lord which the pilgrims sought.

To their credit, the Assemblies of God initially resisted this excess, having seen it all before in the “New Order of the Latter Rain” movement which they had denounced as heretical in 1950. At one point, they could see plainly that the Vineyard movement, out of which the Toronto Phenomenon grew, was influenced by the very Latter Rain/ Manifested Sons of God errors that they once refuted. They were particularly cautious of the Kansas City Prophets of the Vineyard. Unfortunately, it was only a matter of time before an Assemblies of God version of the Toronto Blessing sprang forth at the Brownsville Assembly of God in Pensacola, Florida. That particular outpouring became the turning point that brought the bulk of the Assemblies of God movement into what became known as “The River”.

In spite of protestations to the contrary, the Assembly of God version of the “New Anointing” is identical to the Vineyard’s version. This is because, rather than coming down out of heaven as a “Rushing, mighty wind”, Steve Hill brought this “New Anointing” over from England, after asking his hosts, “Where is the Holy Spirit moving in London?” and being directed to the Holy Trinity church, Brompton, and having hands laid upon him by the vicar, Sandy Millar. (HTB is nearly synonymous with the Toronto Blessing in the British mind, having done more than anyone to blanket the churches in the UK with it. In fact the expression Toronto Blessing was coined by an HTB staff member.) Steve brought “it” home, where he ministered “it” to the Brownsville Assembly of God in Pensacola, Florida, where perhaps another million have gone to get “it” and to take “it” back to their own churches. In this way what was once primarily a Vineyard, and then a Charismatic, phenomenon, has been brought into the mainstream of classical Pentecostalism and even the wider evangelical world.

A prominent example within the Assemblies of God of a pastor and church radicalized by this “New Anointing”, comes out of the testimony of Pastor Steve Benson, from 1st Assembly of God in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Here is his own account of his initial encounter with this “New Anointing”.

When Steve [Hill] and John [Kilpatrick] started to anoint me with oil, they doubled over and shouted, “The anointing!!” I collapsed. I felt like the three of us were swirling around the room like a vortex of a whirlpool . . . they walked out of the office. I felt as if my body was being pulled apart . . . was being stretched out of shape beyond measure. I asked the Lord, ‘What does this mean, Lord?’ The Lord answered, ‘I’m just crucifying your flesh’. I opened my eyes and the first thing I looked at were my hands, because they were tingling with the power of God.

The manifestations of this spirit, as you can see, go far beyond the commonly understood gifts of the Spirit. This is not about speaking in tongues, or even very much about prophecy or divine healing. The manifestation

of this “New Anointing” is more likely to bring people into an unmediated experience of power. Joseph Chambers’ *End Times Digest*, March 1997, quotes Pastor John Kilpatrick, of the Brownsville Assembly of God, as testifying,

I have hundreds of times laid hands on the unsaved and I have watched them being thrown across the ground. I mean I have watched them fly through the air, fall to the ground to where they couldn’t get up again for an hour or two hours. The next thing you know is, “What shall I do to be saved?”. . . Friends, I am not talking hundreds anymore, thousands this has happened to. Thousands have been convinced by the power . . . We have had people, agnostics and God haters, businessmen coming into our meetings and they have been thrown into the air up against a wall and hit the ground when we shook their hand.

What are we to make of this “New Anointing?” Is this the Holy Spirit of God doing a “new thing” among us? Or could this be something fleshly and human, or perhaps even something more sinister? Since the mid 1990s when the Assemblies of God mainstreamed it “The River” of blessing, this “presence” that people have been willing to embark on pilgrimages to various locations, has swollen into a floodtide of unusual manifestations and experiences! No longer just in Toronto or Pensacola, hundreds and even thousands of churches are reporting their own manifestations of this “Presence”. Here is just a sampling of New Wine testimonies reported on the Internet:

Automatic finger pointing – *“It was prophesied over me that I was a weathervane . . . all of a sudden my finger started pointing at people and in the air towards heaven . . . I was in a very conservative church and during the service, there went my finger. I sat there for a half an hour that way . . . The Pastor got up to give the altar call for those to get saved. He was so drunk in the spirit he could not. He then called another pastor forward to give the altar call. He also fell laughing to the floor. The first pastor managed to pull himself to the podium still laughing and said, ‘If you want to get saved, see that ladies finger, follow that finger . . .’”*

Brave Heart anointing? – *“That night the place [Church] was full of two thousand plus persons, and there was a real spirit of anticipation . . . Pastor ~~~~~ got up . . . as he began to exhort the people during the announcements, he took hold of the large Brave Heart sword that was there from the night before. He began to get bolder and bolder as he pointed the sword towards the congregation, and charged them to a revived spirit . . . after two hours . . . [he] suggested the whole church ‘Pass under the sword through a fire tunnel.’ The two senior Pastors . . . would hold up two swords, so as to form an arch . . . all two thousand of the congregation waited patiently for the chance to be prayed through the fire tunnel.”*

Starting out in the flesh – *“She recounted her experiences in ‘coming into the river’ during a Rodney Howard Browne meeting at a church across town [Marilyn Hickey’s church] . . . She had a very tough time figuring out what God wanted from her, and she really wanted to get into the laughing thing. God told her to yield. ‘Whaddya mean, yield?’ . . . she was flat on her back and God told her to start laughing even if it was ‘just the flesh’ to start out with. In a few minutes something rose up inside her and away she went. The point being, she had given God something to work with . . .”*

I didn’t really have to try very hard to find these testimonies, they are a mere skimming of a bulging file, gleaned from testimonies from the Internet, *Charisma Magazine*, and other sources of the manifestations of this “New Anointing”. In fact I deliberately didn’t use some of the more extreme manifestations, the above are just typical ones, so as to not sensationalize. I haven’t gotten into the multiple gold dust secretions, “birthings”, and oil and even feathers that are allegedly supernaturally manifesting in countless “renewal” churches and gatherings. We are obviously no longer awaiting this “New Anointing” it is here and people are being impacted by it. This is why I believe that we should consider this anointing in the light of several truths.

First of all Jesus warned us specifically when he cautioned,

Then if any man say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there, believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch if it be possible they shall deceive the very elect [and by the Greek construction, it is clear that Jesus is saying it is possible] . . . Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold he is in the desert; go not forth: behold he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. (Matthew 24:23-26.)

Note that the warning does not concern the problem of people claiming that Jesus is here or there, but that Christ is! This is a very significant distinction, because no one is claiming that Jesus has come to Pensacola or Toronto, or to one of Rodney Howard Browne's crusades, rather they are claiming that these wonders and signs and breakthroughs are a result of the outpouring of an "anointing". And what is the Greek way of saying anointed, or anointing? "Christ" is the Greek way of saying anointing. To receive of Rodney Howard Browne's anointing is another way of saying Rodney Howard Browne's Christ! When they say there is an anointing being poured out in the Toronto Airport Vineyard they are in effect saying, Look there is Christ! The danger is not that of being deceived by false Jesuses; after all most Christians know that the real Jesus has holes in His hands and feet. The warning is "beware of false Christs", false anointings!

John also warned us explicitly when he gave us the test for the Spirit of Truth and the Spirit of error,

Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every Spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: and every spirit that denieth that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that Spirit of anti-christ . . ." (I John 4:3-4.)

What are we to be looking for as Christians? Our blessed hope is the appearing of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ! And how is it that he shall return? Bodily, the way he was taken up into heaven, in the flesh, as the angel told the apostles,

Yet men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? The same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven. (Acts 1:11.)

John warned us that in some way the Anti-christ will seek to spiritualize Jesus Christ to deceive the world. There is more than one way to do this. To the Jehovah's Witnesses, Christ did not raise bodily from the dead, but in spirit. This is an obviously anti-christ doctrine. To the Mormons the denial is that Jesus became the Christ, rather than that Jesus Christ came in the flesh. But to modern Pentecostals and Charismatics the deception is that instead of awaiting the bodily return of Jesus Christ, we are rather to await the outpouring of a new anointing (Christ) which will empower us to become the greatest generation of the church ever!

What we have in this new anointing is a disincarnate Christ! It manifests itself in many ways foreign to the Jesus of the Bible. People get drunk in it, soak in it, follow it, tremble in the presence of it, go into trances in the name of it. John Kilpatrick, pastor of the Brownsville Assembly of God, was so drunk in it for several weeks, he had to have help dressing in the morning! He called it "the Glory!" Instead of the patient waiting for the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ from heaven, Pentecostals and Charismatics and even many evangelicals have entered into a disincarnate "presence", seeking "it", instead of Him!

Consider the fact that, from the beginning, at both Toronto and Pensacola, "it" was invoked! The true Spirit of Jesus Christ is in the church, praying with and through the church, "Come Lord Jesus!" for the Spirit and the Bride say "Come" The false spirit, on the contrary is invoked by the command of the newly anointed, "Come! Come Holy Spirit! More! More!" and, as in the testimony of Pastor Benson, the spirit was invoked by simply hitting him in the stomach and shouting in unison, "The Anointing!"

The depersonalized nature of this spirit is further attested to in the testimonies of the many who went to "get it", and perhaps "bring it back to their churches", that others might "soak in it" and perhaps even come under the heavy weight of "it" as Pastor Kilpatrick often has testified.

We need to consider also, how it is that our God changes lives. In the new paradigm, "the River", there seems to be a strong emphasis on change without preaching; instead unbelievers are zapped, as witnessed by the above testimony of Kilpatrick, about the thousands who have been thrown against the wall by the anointing and come up two or three hours later asking what they must do to be saved. In fact there seems almost at times to be an anti-preaching bias. When standing outside, in the depths of the Canadian winter, to interview those waiting for three hours to get into the Toronto Airport Vineyard services in 1995, a good many pastors from around the world were available. Without exception, the constant theme was, "We don't preach anymore, since the Spirit came, we don't need to, the Spirit has taken over."

Ours is the Faith in the *Logos* of God; God has spoken, and by the Word he “*Heals us and delivers us from our destruction*”. “*In the beginning was the Word*” and it is the Truth that shall make men free. The God of the Bible doesn’t ‘zap’ people into conversion, “*The Son of God has come and has given us an understanding. . .*” (1 John 5:20).

Whenever God’s people are denied a consistent, sound doctrinal diet, they are tempted to resort to symbols: pageants, sensuality and personalities as a golden calf substitute. This explains “Brave Heart” swords, Marches for Jesus, Identificational repentances, symbolic actions such as driving stakes engraved with scriptures at the corners of cities, Spiritual warfare dances with staves and a whole host of other pagan practices currently taking place in Pentecostal and Charismatic churches around the world. When the God of the Bible wants to effect change He presents Truth to the minds and consciences of the people, demanding that they conform to it. It is “Truth that sets free.” Paganism and magic are anti-rational and symbolic and are not Christianity.

Perhaps this current explosion of mysticised Christianity represents the failure of Pastors, especially Pentecostals, to feed the church with sound doctrine, after all what are people looking for anyway? I thought we found what we wanted when we came to the Fountain of Living Water, Jesus! Why this restlessness, this openness to anything and everything except sound doctrine? I believe that we are in the time of the famine spoken of by both Amos and Paul,

Behold, the days come saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the Land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord, and they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the North even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the Word of the Lord and shall not find it . . . (Amos 8:11-12.)

For the time will come when they shall not endure sound doctrine, but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables, (1 Timothy 4:3-4.)

Is there a way back? How do you admit you are wrong after going under the “tunnel of fire”? Worse yet, how can you admit you were deceived when you were the one who formed the tunnel with your “Braveheart” sword? It is because we are often unwilling to be reproached, we want to be great, and regarded as “cutting edge” that we become seduced by all of this. How else could we explain the proud boasting, the swelling prophecies, the desire to have the power to turn stones into bread? “*If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*”

Book Review

The God Chasers Tommy Tenney (Destiny Image)

Tommy Tenney is a third generation United Pentecostal [Oneness Pentecostal] minister who bills himself and his growing following as “God Chasers”. He is the author of a best-selling book entitled *The God Chasers*. He has also served as a pastor for ten years and has spent another 17 years as a “revivalist”. According to the blurb on the back cover of his recent book, he has been used to both “spark and fuel the fires of revival”. It also states that although “He has experienced the miraculous. . .more importantly he knows the value of intimacy with a humility before God.”

The book, *The God Chasers*, is a call to those who consider themselves to be hungry for the manifested presence of God. It begins with a narrative which should strike a chord with those who have been radicalized by experience-based religion à la Toronto and Pensacola. In the chapter entitled “The day I almost caught Him”, (“Him” referring to God), Tenney describes a service he held in Houston, Texas, in which upon the reading of II Chronicles 7:14, and an exhortation by the host pastor to “seek God’s face rather than just His hand”, a loud thunderclap sounded and split the pulpit into two pieces! From there the usual “river” manifestations exploded across the sanctuary, slayings in the spirit, profuse cryings, and even the bodies of businessmen stacked up “like cordwood”!

Businessmen tore their ties off, and they were literally stacked on top of one another, in the most horribly harmonious sound of repentance you ever heard.

By his own confession, Tenney had been up to that point merely a professional revivalist,

We've talked, preached and taught about revival until the church is sick of hearing about it. That's what I did for a living, I preached revivals, or so I thought. Then God broke out of His box and ruined everything when He showed up.

Tenney echoes an earlier prophecy of the late John Wimber, by saying that "God is coming back to repossess His church." But his premise is that the only thing that hinders God from "repossessing His church" is the lack of spiritual hunger, which Tenney and others seem to interpret as a hunger for the "manifested presence" of God. Thus the book, *The God Chasers*, is aimed at those who are,

. . . tired of trying to pass out tracts, knock on doors, and make things happen. . . we've been trying to make things happen for a long time. Now He wants to make it happen!(p.12.)

Part of the problem according to Tenney, comes down to the predictable assertion that too many of us have been "Camped out on some dusty truth known to everyone."

There's the problem: "dusty truth"! But of course Tenney would lead us and guide us into his alternative to "dusty truth", what he calls "Revelation",

The difference between the truth of God and revelation is very simple. Truth is where God has been. Revelation is where God is. Truth is God's tracks. It is His Trail, His path, but it leads to what? It leads to Him. Perhaps the masses of people are happy to know where God's been, but true God Chasers are not content to study God's trail, His truths, they want to know Him. They want to know where He is and what He is doing right now. . . There is a vast difference between present truth and past truth. I am afraid that most of what the church has studied is past truth, and very little of what we know is present truth". (From the introduction.)

Tenney's call for an abandonment of "past truth" in favour of his more relevant "present truth" is far from original. He is only the latest in a long line of teachers who have tapped into the discontentment that many have in this entertainment age, subtly denigrating the sound teaching of the Word of God, in order to promote the latest expression of experienced-based religion. As the children of Israel tired of manna, in their day, the modern children of God "will not endure sound doctrine" either. Tenney, like many others these days, is adept at ridiculing teaching and Bible study, as though they were as irrelevant as a game of "Trivial Pursuit",

It is simply not enough to know about God. We have churches filled with people who can win Bible trivia contests but who don't know Him. (p.3.)

So much for those Christians, off into "dusty truth", enamored by God's tracks but what about the New Agers and occultists? Tenney is sure that they have the purest of motives,

You can't tell me they're not hungry for God when they wear crystals around their necks, lay down hundreds of dollars a day to listen to Gurus, and call psychics to the tune of billions of dollars a year. (p.2.)

Of course these pure hearted seekers are only hindered by one obstacle, in their search for God, the church! (I always thought that it was the fact that "there is none that seeks after God", that rather than seeking God, witches and occultists and those who seek fortune tellers were in rebellion to God.)

They're hungry to hear from something that's beyond themselves, something they are not hearing in the church today. The bottom line is that people are sick of the church because the church has been somewhat less than the book has advertised." (p.3.)

Naomi and her family have something in common with the people who leave or totally avoid churches today – they left "that" place and went somewhere else to find bread. I can tell you why people are flocking to the bars, the clubs, and the Psychics by the millions. They are just trying to get by, they are just trying to survive because the church has failed them. They looked, or their parents and friends looked and reported, and the spiritual cupboard was bare" (p.19-20)

The church is the one forcing people who are earnestly searching for God out into the bars and clubs? What ever happened to "*They knew God but would not glorify Him as God, neither were they thankful . . . therefore*

they are without excuse”? Not so according to Tenney, these good-hearted witches and occultists actually came to church but found nothing, therefore they have had no choice but to go into the occult! This kind of accusation will always find a ready audience in our modern “seeker sensitive” world, discontented, and casting about for any scapegoat for their sense of restlessness. The church is at fault!

Between the various personal experiences recounted by Tenney and his attempts at whetting the spiritual appetites which the book calls for, glimpses of the author’s theology can be seen. As we have already seen, Tenney holds to a curious view of the Word of God, as being “God’s tracks”, “where God’s been”, and “past truth”, interesting; but not enough for the “God chasers”. Tenney further denigrates the Word of God, and those who would insist on measuring all things by it, in a very unusual and creative way, he calls the Scripture “old love letters”, appearing to pay some homage to them, yet at the same time rendering their present application irrelevant.

I’m afraid we have satiated our hunger for Him by reading old love letters from him to the churches in the epistles of the New Testament. These are good, holy and necessary, but we never have intimacy with Him . . . (p.15.)

Tenney generously concedes that the Scriptures are “good, holy and necessary”, but . . . (and there is a world of meaning in that “but”) by designating Scripture to the status of “old love letters”, he renders them inadequate for present intimacy with God! Picture Paul relegating Scripture to the status of “old love letters”! Jesus never contrasted “intimacy” with God and “power” from God as opposed to Scripture, He equated them! “*Do ye not err? Not knowing the scripture or the power of God?*” Knowing and loving Scripture is the only way to begin to have intimacy with God, not the obstacle of it! Of course there could be a problem of people being “hearers of the Word and not doers of it”, but the answer is not to compare Scripture to “old love letters” or worse yet, to relegate scriptural knowledge to “being able to win a Bible Trivia game”. What is Tenney promoting? Perhaps the answer to this can be found in the oft-cited nugget of charismatic wisdom,

. . . A man with experience is never at the mercy of a man with only an argument. . . If we can lead people into the manifest presence of God, all false theological houses of cards will tumble down. (p.20).

[Tenney denies the Trinity—what does he know about theology? J.P. Editor]

This saying or some variation of it is basically the underlying assumption of the entire “River” revival, that experience supercedes “doctrine”, and that the Word alone is insufficient for relationship with God.

Did the apostles believe this way? Did they ever “split pulpits”? Did they constantly contrast Truth and intimacy? Peter had the ultimate sensual religious encounter, He saw the transfigured Jesus, but rather than contrast his experience on the holy mountain with those who are still “stuck in some dusty truth”, Peter commended us to the “*more sure Word of Prophecy, which you would do well to take heed unto*”. Peter never held a laughing revival, nor did Paul ever refer to himself as God’s bartender. James never saw the need to put loaves of bread on the altar so that it could soak up the anointing.

Nor did the apostles ever conduct the kind of spiritual warfare Tenney and others proclaim in the name of “Taking their cities for God”.

I am after cities . . . Once while preaching at a conference . . . in Portland, Oregon, I heard him [Frank Dimazio] mention something that caught my attention. He said that a number of pastors in the Portland area had united together to drive some stakes in the ground at strategic places around the perimeter of their region and the city and at every major intersection. The process took them hours because they also prayed over those stakes, as they were physical symbols marking a spiritual declaration and demarcation line. I felt the stirring of the Holy Spirit so I said, “Frank, if you’ll provide the stakes, then I’ll go to the cities I feel called to and help the pastors stake out that territory for God.” (p.102-103.)

Is this another Toronto or Pensacola? I think Tenney and I would probably disagree. I would say that this “intimacy” that is being sought is of the same nature as that “presence” that pilgrims to Toronto and Pensacola have sought encounters with. Tenney seems to allude to these earlier revivals, on p.21, as being somewhat less than what he is promoting,

People don't sense God's presence at our gatherings because it is just not there sufficiently to register on our gauges . . . when people get just a little touch of God mixed with a lot of something that is not God, it inoculates them against the real thing. Once they've been inoculated by a crumb of God's presence, then when they say "God is really here, they say, "No, I've been there, done that. I bought the T-shirt, and I didn't find Him, it really didn't work for me." The problem was that God was there alright, but not enough of Him. There was no experience of meeting Him at the Damascus road. There was no undeniable, overwhelming sense of His manifested presence.

Tenney may well have made a point without realizing it. He acknowledges that the experienced-based revivals of our day (with their sensual encounters with "the presence") tend eventually towards a "been there done that" attitude, as repeated mystical experiences lead into a kind of spiritual "law of diminishing returns", but the answer, according to Tenney, is more of "it". Toronto and Pensacola were only crumbs, there's more of it in the purer form. Rodney Howard Browne held forth to those who were weary of "dead religion" a fresh touch of God, a drink of the "new wine". Toronto came along and offered those same people an opportunity to "soak in" the manifested anointing of God. Pensacola, which in spite of denials to the contrary, is directly descended from the Toronto Blessing (Steve Hill, bringing "it" back with him from Holy Trinity church, Brompton, the Toronto Church of England) offered a purer touch revival than Toronto, putting more emphasis on repentance. But to Tenney, these were just crumbs. What does he offer? More of God? These are all the same claims, the same clichés, the same criticisms of doctrine, and even in many cases the same denigrations of the Word. I predict that, as in the other "waves" this also will leave many emptier even than they were before. Unfortunately this will only open them up to the next excursion into mystical, experienced-based religion.

Orthodox Christianity has held that true Hunger for God is valid and can be validly met through seeking Him, fasting, prayer, a renewal of obedience to Him, a going back to wherever it was that **we left Him**. "Signs and wonders" are not God nor do they satisfy. Even fantastic signs such as splitting pulpits, slaying whole crowds in the spirit, businessmen laying around like 'cordwood', none of this necessarily has anything to do with truly hungering for God.

Finally, is *The God Chasers* really about the kind of hunger for God that perhaps Tozer wrote of, or Spurgeon, Wesley, Nee and the other giants of the Faith of days gone by? You be the judge. But lest there be any doubt that some other kind of hunger is at work here, consider that the last page of this Destiny Image book is an advertising page featuring the full line of *God Chaser* products. The *God Chasers hat* is available for a mere \$17.99, the *God Chaser shirt* is available in four sizes for a mere \$16.99, and for those who truly want to attest to this new hunger, the *God Chasers license plate* is available for a mere \$6.99!

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[[This is just another "man-made" idea of how to "popularize" Christianity. Don't be deceived by these false prophets with their false "Rhema words" (oracles) from God. They are like the false prophets of old recorded in Jeremiah chapter 23. Tom Adcock, President, Jesus People Information Center, 4338 3rd Ave., Sacramento, CA 95817 www.mission.org/jesuspeople. Only a fool blindly jumps in "a river" without checking what is under the surface.]]

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