Treatise on the Teachings of the Sanctuary Church - Parts 7 and 8

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Young Jin: An Obsession with Conspiracy

Part 7: An Obsession with Conspiracy Theories and Apocalyptic Imagery

The Sanctuary Church (SC) has been heavily involved in promoting anti-government conspiracy theories and apocalyptic imagery, particularly during a phase in HJN's ministry in the months immediately preceding his January 2015 "God Save the Queen" sermon, when attention began to be directed toward alleged FFWPU conspiracies. However, the role of conspiracy theory and apocalyptic imagery, with secret quasi-government forces and pending economic and societal collapse, remains a central part of SC thought.

The conspiracy theories promulgated by the SC include a wide ranging spectrum, although principally oriented around various powers to be (U.S. government, Illuminati, etc.) engaged in secret plotting and the execution of major nefarious events, many of which are seen as oriented toward gun confiscation and discrediting those on the right end of the political spectrum. HJN presents this as a "blue pill, red pill" situation, where SC members have taken the red pill and understand the truth, while the vast majority of people are ignorant (blue pill consumers).

Among the conspiracy theories advocated either at the pulpit or in SC meetings are the following:

Fake drug war to confiscate firearms and militarize the police. On Mothers Day 2014 (May 11), in a sermon given in a conference room at the Best Western Inn in Matamoras, PA, Hyung Jin Nim focused his talk on the militarization of the police and a US government—major banks conspiracy. He claimed that the US government was secretly conspiring with US banks in a plot to bring illegal narcotics into the United States. The banking industry was benefitting by the money being laundered. The US government, which was involved in bringing in the illegal drugs, was benefitting by using the pretense of a phony drug war to confiscate firearms and militarize the police forces.

Oklahoma City bombing. The Oklahoma City bombing was presented as plausibly involving government planning and cover up. The theory presented was that there were explosives planted inside the Murrah Building, as evidenced by things such as glass being blown out of the building, not inward. A reason proffered for the government involvement and cover-up was that it offered a way to discredit those on the right.

Illuminati, secret societies, and other powers. In sermons and discussions, the SC charges that secret societies of world leaders are actually colluding to mastermind world events, such as creating wars, choosing and controlling nations' political leaders, reduce world population, and using entities such as the Federal Reserve System to control the world's wealth.

Other major conspiracy theories. Other major conspiracy theories that have surfaced in SC sermons and meetings and members' advocacy have included 9/11 as a government plot, and in particular as evident in the destruction of Building 7 (7 World Trade Center); the Newton massacre as a government plot to be able to control guns; the Boston bombings as a plot to gain more government control over citizens; the nefarious government use of vaccines; the chemtrails conspiracy; and various Catholic/CIA conspiracies, including the Pope being a war criminal and involved in human sacrifice and satanic rituals. In one sermon, HJN saw a U.S. conspiracy related to the Ebola outbreak and in another he decried the heavy police presence in the area as federal marshals and others looked for a survivalist who had shot two state troopers, with HJN stating at one point it would be better if the police were not there, with all their militarization, and instead he advocated that civilian hunters living in the area be freed to go hunt for the man.

The extent to which this conspiratorial thinking permeates the SC is evident in the Sanctuary Church's The Constitution of the United States of Cheon Il Guk, a document that is declared to be "Immutable and Unchangeable" and "shall NEVER be abridged or added-to" [the word "never" is in all-caps in the source document]. In this document, there is a section (2.5) devoted to "false flag" operations:

"The President and the executive branch are prohibited from carrying out clandestine acts of terror against the citizens of the United States of CIG with the intent of molding public opinion (false flag operations). Any suspicions of "false flags" will be investigated by the Inspector General. "False flags" will be considered to be an act of levying war against the people of CIG.

The Inspector General, outlined in this document is also an all-powerful position that seems to have powers equal to the IRS, CIA, and FBI, and also only open to male heirs of Kook Jin Nim:

"Under the authority of the king, the office of Inspector General is formed. This office shall have unrestricted access to all documents (data) in the governments of CIG and will carry out the function of investigating and bringing prosecutions against any individual working in the governments of CIG including bringing impeachment proceedings against the President or prosecutions of individuals being contracted by the governments of CIG. This office is given to Moon Kook Jin and to his heirs. The inheritance will be from father to son or closest male next of kin if there is no son. The inheritance of this office will be made with the consent of the King." (Principle 3, Article 3, Number 7 in The Constitution of the United States of Cheon II Guk)

Concomitant with these conspiracy theories are prophecies of doom of the United States and collapse of the world order. Indeed, there was a very specific prophecy that the economic/societal collapse would occur in September of 2015, tied with the ending of the Shmita year on September 14, 2015, Expected were major economic collapse and breakdown of government, with it being noted that such economic collapse happens every seven years (citing the 2001 World Trade Center and Pentagon bombings with subsequent economic collapse, and in 2008 a significant economic downturn). When the prediction of doom and gloom failed to materialize dramatically, some adherents shifted the conversation to the collapse being in process but below the public's awareness.

None of these above discussions are tangential to the mission of the SC: they are a central part of the Sanctuary Church. They occupied months of sermons and meetings prior to HJN's turning his attention on True Mother and the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU), and they continue in SC meetings. While True Father has predicted catastrophic events should people not turn to God, the level of promoting anti-government conspiracy theory and End Times cataclysm is unprecedented. Discussions among the SC members include how to prepare for the coming collapse, the necessity for members to learn how to use firearms to protect when societal collapse occurs, the need for bomb shelters, the need to stockpile food and water enough to last for seven years, and so forth.

The literal interpretation of the Book of Revelations ("whore of Babylon," seven-headed, ten-horned beast – see section below), combined with a belief that that American government is part of a vast conspiracy, combined with an apocalyptic viewpoint of the collapse of society and the need for a well-armed congregation, and a seeming unquestioned acceptance by acolytes of even the most unusual utterances from "The King," is a potent combination that can carry with it risk.

But of more immediate concern is the issue of creating a greater divide. As noted by Dr. Andrew Wilson in one post; "Apocalyptic divides the world into two categories – the saved and the damned – and views believers in its doctrine as the only ones to be saved when the final judgment comes. Thus it encourages black-white, "us vs. them" thinking, as well as self-righteousness about one's status as a member of the saved remnant. It is far from the spirit of Jesus of the Gospels, who spoke of unconditional grace for all, even the worst sinners."

Part 8: Presenting True Father as Having Failed to Achieve Key Dispensational Responsibilities

Among True Father's many accomplishments were three very public ones: establishment of True Parents, giving of the blessing and forgiveness of original sin, and revealing of fundamental truths. Each were major dispensational roles of the returning messiah and were roles in which True Father claimed victory during his lifetime on earth. While Sanctuary Church leaders and members would reject any characterization that ties True Father with the word "failure" – after all, they see True Father as God Himself — the reality is that an objective analysis of their teachings leads to the conclusion that they present True Father as having fallen short of victory in each of these areas.

Establishment of eternal True Parents on the Earth. Throughout his teachings, True Father emphasized a key dispensation role of establishing eternal True Parents. This is something that Jesus failed to achieve and which True Father believed he and True Mother had fulfilled prior to his ascending into the spiritual world. For example, True Father stated: "At the point where the evidently divided internal God and external God are perfectly reunited, Sun Myung Moon and Hak Ja Moon, ...were able to become True Parents in the Garden of Eden with no shadow of the Fall..." (April 14, 2012). According to the Sanctuary Church, True Father was unable to accomplish eternal True Parents due to their assertion that True Mother failed and thus this key role remains to be accomplished.

Giving of the Blessing and Forgiving of Original Sin. True Father placed emphasis on giving the blessing. During his lifetime, millions had their Original Sin forgiven and were blessed in eternal marriage. However, in 2015, a great many (likely most) of these blessings and forgiveness of Original Sin were declared as nullified by the Sanctuary Church on the basis of followers

participating in the Foundation Day ceremony, an event which Hyung Jin Nim himself had promoted at the time.

So serious was the transgression, that members who participated in the Foundation Day Ceremony were considered to have lost "the status of being forgiven of Original Sin." As stated in an official Sanctuary Church posting, having participated in the ceremony:

"is tantamount to coming back under the Archangel's dominion, loss of the status of being forgiven for Original Sin; becoming fallen again needing to go through 40 days' separation, indemnity stick, 3 days' separation and even second gen becoming 1st gen."

In other words, True Father's great accomplishment of forgiving Original Sin largely was nullified by Hyung Jin Nim' declaration.

Revealing of Truth. Even True Father's role of revealing the truth proved inadequate according to the Sanctuary Church, as he failed to teach his most fundamental truth, the Bride Theology (Part 5 of this treatise), which Sanctuary Church is now claiming to reveal.

Indeed, one would get the impression from listening to Sanctuary Church members that True Father's main enduring accomplishment was Hyung Jin Nim. For it is Hyung Jin Nim who is: (a) teaching the new truth that True Father failed to reveal; (b) forgiving Original Sin and giving a re-blessing for those multitudes who lost True Parent's blessing through the Foundation Day blessing or any subsequent holy wine ceremony; and (c) rectifying True Father's inability to establish eternal True Parents. Regarding the latter, Hyung Jin Nim is claiming to have rectified True Father's failure by placing his own wife in the position of "leader of the brides" (the new True Mother), and then having created a ceremony where this new leader of the brides bows down to their son and secures her subservient position to her son.

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