

<p>LIVE! From the Mecca of Mormonism! SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH This is Heart of the Matter . . .</p>	<p>Show 40 Temples IV October 2nd 2007</p> <p>And I am your host Shawn McCraney.</p>
<p>Live Streaming Video @ www.bornagainmormon.com</p>	
<p>In-the-House Guests Tonight</p>	
<p>Shout Out's!</p>	<p>Had the privilege, honor and blessing to baptize Tom and Desiree Sunday afternoon at Christ Evangelical Church, which meets at UVSC in Orem.</p> <p>A shout out to Tom and Desiree, and to all the congregates at Christ EV. Pastor Scott, you've certainly got a great work of the Lord there in that part of the vineyard.</p> <p>Sorensen family I met out there at Christ EV.</p> <p>To Ben Anderson, wood delivery man extraordinaire.</p> <p>To Dixie - hang tough and seek the Lord. He's bring you through all of this.</p> <p>To Ken and Eileen for an excellent book and some other fantastic information.</p> <p>To my friend Greg Dixon</p>

	<p>And Annette - nice to have met you.</p> <p>Forrest N., Jack H., and all those who support this ministry - thank you and God bless.</p> <p>Finally, I want to support a film I saw the other day which was absolutely inspiring.</p> <p>It's a documentary called In the Shadow of the Moon.</p> <p>Run - don't walk - to see this excellent piece of inspiring art.</p>
<p>PASTOR IN AN OVEN!</p>	<p>Monday Night, October 8th at the Brick Oven Restaurant in Provo, Utah, just off BYU's campus. 6:00 to 8:30pm</p> <p>All are invited.</p> <p>Come and eat, drink, and enjoy some time fellowshiping and asking and answering questions.</p> <p>Heck, maybe some BYU students will drop in an say hello. Some J. Reuben Clark students, perhaps?</p>
<p>MORMANIPULATION</p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>What does it mean to be a Christian?</p> <p>Believing in Jesus does not necessarily make a person a</p>

	<p>Christian because even the devils believe and call Him by name.</p> <p>Doing the good works of Jesus does not necessarily qualify you as a Christian because there are many people and organizations who do very good works that do not recognized Him at all.</p> <p>Even recognizing Jesus to one degree or another as from God doesn't make a person a Christian – look at Islam and a veritable host of other religions who note His greatness . . . but they cannot be considered Christian.</p> <p>What is it that legitimately defines a person or group as “Christian?”</p> <p>You want my answer:</p> <p>Following the Bible.</p> <p>Not just read the Bible, or accept the Bible as good, but whether a person or group accepts what the Bible says as truth – over everything else.</p> <p>SHOW ARTICLE</p> <p>(Respond to highlights.)</p>
<p>Hey, listen here, you <i>“inactive, aren't sure if you believe it or not, haven't been to Church in ages Mormons”</i> – we started a Church just for you!</p> <p>Of course, everyone is invited to LORDSWORD because we think we offer what churches should offer – prayer,</p>	

<p>worship, and teaching the word.</p> <p>But we specifically wanted to create a place for you to come and acclimate according to your comfortability needs.</p> <p>So get off yer assets and come on over and see if there is something you have been missing in your search for God.</p> <p>We call it LORDSWORD.</p> <p>And we meet every Sunday morning at The Gateway Theaters in downtown Salt Lake City from 9:15 to 10:15am.</p> <p>Then we meet at the U of U every Sunday evening - giving the same messages - from 7 to 8pm.</p> <p>All are welcome.</p> <p>Go to www.lordsword.org if you need more information.</p>	
<p>PRAYER PRAYER PRAYER</p>	
<p>"So what?" people often say to me.</p> <p>"So what if Mormons build temples and go inside them and call it part of their religion. Why should you care?"</p> <p>Tonight I hope to conclude the shows on our historical look at LDS temples.</p> <p>Tonight I hope to show why I speak out against Mormonism (NOT Mormons) and the way the Church uses temples.</p> <p>Most of the information to which I'll refer comes from principles I've learned from reading <i>Eric Hoffer, Thomas Gilovich, Erich</i></p>	

Fromm, and the book *The God that Failed.*"

But I want to start off with some words that came from the mouth of God:

Listen to them carefully. He said them for a reason.

"Take heed that no man deceive you."

I don't mind if you think I am out to deceive you. Check my facts, check your mind. BUT . . . do the same with everything other men say to you as well - whether dead or alive.

I'd like you to image for a moment that there is an arena that seats five thousand and it is filled with people who are gathered there to enjoy an event - maybe it's a concert or symphony or some type of sporting competition.

Now for that brief two to three hour period, the people in the arena would in most cases be able to sit in their respective seats and get on quite nicely.

There could be an argument or two, and possibly an actual fist-fight depending on the venue, but the vast majority of the people would probably get along for that brief period of time.

Now, let's suppose that for some odd reason, a lid was put over the arena and the exits get completely sealed off. And there will be no entering or exiting the arena for ten full years.

For convenience sake, let's also assume that all nourishment, medical, and sleeping

arraignments have somehow been provided.

It wouldn't take long at all for the occupants of the arena to begin to divide up among them selves.

Some will unite as families, some based on gender, and others according to sexual attraction.

Women's and men's groups will form, children will gather and roam, and people will form tight and loose knit groups based on intellect, personality, education, vocational interests, and hobbies.

Race and culture will play a prominent role in the gatherings. This is normative and reasonable. Human beings typically gravitate toward those things with which they have most in common.

Before long, people will begin to embrace an "us verses them" mentality.

Clubs and groups and cliques will segregate the arena society.

And within time, a criminal element will in all probability appear which may very well be in rebellion to the laws and rules men and women have attempted to implement for the well being of "arena life."

All of the associations and interactions are expected and reasonable. Human beings are social animals - even when they have an anti-social nature.

Over the course of the ten years, order will strive to eliminate disorder, and chaos will occasionally seek to disrupt communal

peace.

And unless there is a pervasive element of psychosis present in the minds of the residents, the arena society will in all probability function as a microcosm of everyday life on the "outside."

By applying the arena situation to the world in which we live, it is easy to see similar human responses.

Cultures hang together.

Languages develop - unifying and separating people groups.

We congregate with those who share our goals and intellectual abilities.

We form groups and clubs, because we enjoy belonging.

It makes us feel accepted, unified, and part of something bigger and better than our individual selves.

Look around.

From the jungles to the thriving metropolises, we have the womens and mens clubs all over the earth.

Universities have Fraternal and Sororal orders - including the Skull and Bones at Yale.

Disneyland has annual pass holders and Club 67.

Scouting has their Eagles Nest, the military has their officers clubs, and golfers and tennis players the world over sequester themselves away in high priced country clubs.

The lower classes are no different.

Softball teams, bowling leagues and street gangs prove the point.

Organizationally, it's all understandable – and acceptable so long as the clubs do not restrict its participants to the point of emotional, spiritual or physical bondage.

But every now and again, someone pops up with a system that is not only Utopian in nature, but is presented as the answer to universal happiness, joy, or freedom.

Instead of becoming a choice or an outlet for socialization, their vision or system becomes a MUST, MANDATORY, and/or THE ONLY WAY.

Stalin and Castro had Communism.
Hitler had Fascism.
Pol Pot had Totalitarianism.

Sometimes a comprehensive system has merit, and actually can be applied without detriment to the liberty of human beings, like in the case of rules of International warfare or the Geneva Convention.

But more often than not, utopian ideal supplied institutionally end up stripping the freedom and liberties of human beings.

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The Gauge for viability is inversely related to the human bondage the system creates.

Let me say this again:

The gauge for a systems viability is not how productive it makes people.

The gauge for viability is inversely related to the human bondage the system creates.

Often, people will defend a diabolical system because it is all they have ever known. Possibly they have benefited by it in some way, maybe their family has found security in the regime, or maybe it just feels good.

In the God that Failed, testimonies are given over and over by very intelligent men and women who do nothing but praise Communism.

Some defend an evil empire because the freedom outside of it is just too overwhelming for them to face or imagine.

We have even seen respected or recognized outsiders who willingly choose to publicly praise and support evil systems out of ignorance or self-interest.

Malcom X defended and even embraced communism until he traveled outside the US and saw firsthand what it amounted to.

Jane Fonda defended North Vietnam and the United States used to underwrite the Afgani Taliban.

When evidence of human bondage becomes apparent, only a lunatic or an indifferent sadist would sit back and continue to approve or support such a

system.

I am a Christian. I understand the liberty offered through a genuine, biblically sound relationship with God through His Son.

Like a refugee of some despotic ruler, I see the spiritual bondage the system called Mormonism creates.

And I look back and see myLDS brothers and sisters in chains.

The apex (locus, apogee) of Mormon spiritual imprisonment is the temple.

What makes the Mormon temple more sinister than most other systems, is its claims that what happens inside MUST be had in order to reach heaven.

MUST.

Let me explain the temple process Mormonism uses to chain their people to the wheel.

First, there's a concerted effort to dominate people's minds concerning the temple and this effort begins at a very young age.

As young as two and three years old, babes are seeing pictures of temples in classrooms, church halls and in their homes.

And they're learning songs about their future allegiance to a physical edifice.

They sing:

*I love to see the temple
I'm going there someday
To feel the Holy Spirit
To listen and to pray.*

*For the temple is holy place.
A place of love and beauty
I'll prepare myself while I am young
This is my sacred duty.*

The power of “sacred duty” need not be explained in this day and age.

Children - even babes - are not only influenced through pictures, songs, and lessons, but insipid stories are slipped in on these unsuspecting minds, which serve, many years down the road, to stanch investigative thought and guilt people into a state of inaction:

Listen to this story as told by President Spencer W. Kimball:

(READ STORY)

By the way, I located this story in a Stake recommended resources page online for teaching CHILDREN about the temple.

Second, there's the overwhelming compulsion to “attend the temple” and to be “temple worthy” that grows more and more relentless with age and tapering off only when the person has fallen from grace or acquiesces.

This compulsive drive used by leaders and members alike is the direct result of LDS DOCTRINE.

The LDS third article of faith reads?

"We believe that all mankind may be SAVED by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the gospel."

You have heard them call in the show – as recently as last week.

"Shawn," they say, "we are Christians and I know that Jesus is the only way I can return to live with my heavenly father."

But with a few investigative questions we quickly discover that Jesus only makes salvation "possible" for these trapped LDS souls.

They must be obedient – in fact anyone wanting to live with God must be obedient – to the laws and ordinances of the Gospel.

The requirements are endless and never ending.

And here's where temples come into play: some of the required "ordinances" that people MUST complete are only available from within.

You must receive the ordinances in order to be deemed obedient.

And you must be obedient to live with God.

So to be obedient, you must enter into the temple.

And what must you do to get in?

You must be "worthy."

Worthy!

And how is worthiness determined?

By an interview.

Two separate temple recommend interviews - one with the Bishop or Bishopric member and one with a member of the Stake Presidency.

These are the questions (unless they have changed in the past year) that are currently asked to determine worthiness.

Listen closely.

READ AND DISCUSS QUESTIONS.

(THEN)



Jesus said, "Come unto me, all ye heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

Does this worthiness sound restful?
Does it sound like it affords an honest relationship with God?
Does it sound liberating in love?

Jesus DIED to free every man and woman on earth from ritualistic obligation. If he hadn't, we'd still be under the Law!

The temple and the leaderships relentless push for people to get worthy to attend does nothing but reinstitute form worthiness.

And this, my friends, is bondage - of the worst spiritual kind.

Once a person has been found "worthy" to enter the temple, the Third phase of bondage comes by virtue of the CONTENTS that are presented once inside.

And while I will respect the things temple-going LDS promise not to reveal, which you have probably already heard if you listened to our show on Freemasonry, I am going to highlight some things that tighten the ropes of bondage already hung about their necks.

After the individual has been washed and anointed and receives a new name – which is never to be revealed to anyone except at a given place and time – he or she enters into the endowment room which looks like a well appointed movie theater.

Everything is clean. Everyone whispers. And almost everyone is smiling.

In this room, the initiate is typically greeted by family and/or friends, and meets with their escort. (who is usually a relative or trusted temple-going friend).

Once seated a series of recorded messages and movie scenes which depict the pre-mortal existence, creation, and the fall are played.

Before the films begin, a recording reminds everyone there that they are under strict obligations and if they are not prepared to undergo this process and accept the obligations associated with it, that they must raise their hand in order to be escorted out.

Now, first of all, you have no idea what you are about to do or agree to do, so you're really in no position to decide whether you can accept or not.

There's this awkward moment of silence where everyone is sitting there in the event someone shoots a hand up and cries:

"I can't do it! I can't do it!"

Well, this hasn't happened in all my visits and for good reason.

You've been taught your whole life that this is vital to you being accepted of God.

Your family or parents and/or friends you trust are sitting there smiling at you like "this is so beautiful" and what are you supposed to do?

So you sit there. In another stage of bondage.

Then the film begins.

In it an actor playing Satan makes an appearance. Now when I went through, he arrived in the Garden of Eden with a Protestant Minister (who was in Satan's employ) and the Protestant Minister presents *biblical concepts* to Adam.

Adam claims he can't understand these concepts at all and here God intervenes and sends true messengers who teach Adam Mormon doctrine.

Later in that ceremony, Satan alludes that popes, priests, and Protestant Ministers are in his employ, teaching the "philosophies

of men, mixed with doctrine," and that with them, he will rule the lives of people on earth.

So, sitting in this place you have been taught to trust, this place that is supposed to reveal all the saving truths to your soul, I learned that not only was Mormonism the only truth, but that everything else was from the devil.

To top this off, the film has Satan - SATAN - presenting true biblical concepts! So by sheer association every believing Mormon walks away thinking that essential Christian doctrines are Satanic!

I am not kidding you. This is what they are taught. Can you think of anything more mind-controlling than a film that has Satan teaching biblical truths?

No wonder the LDS have such a hard time even listening to a simple biblical presentation of salvation.

Then in a cinematic coup de gra, Satan looks directly into the camera and says with super-abundant evil:

"If these people do not live up to every single thing they have been taught here in this temple this day, they will be in my power!"

You want bondage? Try seeing this scene a few times over.

So there are only a few options remaining for people wanting to follow God who have been through the temple:

Strive strive strive to live up to every single thing you have heard and been taught OR assume the letter of the law as a model for your actions, or become a religious fake.

One of these covenants is to give EVERYTHING they have now or will have in the future to building up the Mormon Church.

This is bondage, my friends. Sheer spiritual, mental, and emotional bondage.

The fourth way LDS temples imprison people I love is by the COMPULSION that is imposed upon them to remain temple worthy.

If they want to see a son off on a mission, they must meet the temple worthy requirements.

If they want to see their children married they must remain temple married.

Sabbath-day allegiances.
10 % of earnings every year.
Don't associate with unbelievers.
Etc., etc., etc.

You don't need to be disfellowshipped or excommunicated by the upper-crust Mormon community.

All you need to do is not be "temple worthy."

This is bondage.

Joseph Smith understood this, and even said in History of the Church 5:23:

"Nothing will have such influence over people as fear of being disfellowshipped by so goodly a society as this."

Fear. Guilt. Disenfranchisement.
Bondage.

I read first hand every week how this goodly society either imprisons or destroys people who are very, very deserving of love.

And if family togetherness isn't enough to keep a member worthy, then maybe the fact that each member has a responsibility to save the Dead will keep them in chains!

We've got problems and issues ad nauseum right before our eyes on this fallen earth and the LDS heap the obligation to save their dead on top of it all!

You see, a Latter-day Saint only goes through the temple once for themselves - and on this first visit they receive all those ordinances required for their salvation.

But then, when they return, they go in the name of someone who has died. So that they can accept these saving ordinances beyond the grave and get into heaven through this vicarious ordinance work.

SO living members face monthly follow-ups on whether they attended the temple or not, and are asked to participate in ward temple trips, stake temple nights, and to listen to Sunday lessons on the importance of faithful temple work.

How about I conclude with a poem,
written by a nice, well meaning LDS
woman about genealogy and temple work.

I think it summarizes the heart of the
faithful imprisoned Saint for who's
freedom we fight.

It's called Genealogy by Alice Redden

Genealogy by Alice Redden

*I dreamed my Father called me home across the
great divide.*

*I was very much bewildered. I thought surely I had
died.*

*St. Peter met me at the gate. He said, "Come follow
me.*

*There's something I must show you, something you
must see."*

Then I saw rows of people standing in a line.

*When I looked them over, they were relatives of
mine.*

*Some among the massive crowd I remembered well.
Some had lived long years before I came to earth to
dwell.*

*They were great-grandparents whom I was glad to
see.*

*But when I walked toward them, they turned away
from me.*

Then I saw my cousins, my uncles and my aunts.

*They said to me accusingly, "We didn't have a
chance*

*To do the work that must be done, to start us on our
way,*

To gain for us eternal life so here we have to stay."

My father and my mother, too, were standing apart.

*They looked so disappointed it made the tear drops
start.*

*I turned and saw my Savior. On His face there was
a frown.*

*"I died upon the cross for them and you have let
them down.*

Behold your noble ancestors, waiting for the day

When you would open up the gates to help them on their way."

My heart was very heavy as I looked these people o'er.

The blinding tears ran down my face. I turned to him once more.

"Please, blessed Savior, send me back, I'll make another try.

I'll do the work for all my kin, I'm not prepared to die.

I will not miss a single one. I'm so ashamed, dear Lord.

I'll try to do each ordinance, according to Thy word."

Then I awoke. The dream was gone. I had not passed away.

But I made resolutions to start that very day.

Baptisms, endowments, and sealings I found were not a few.

The more I searched and searched, the more I found to do.

But I will keep on hunting and searching all the while

Next time I meet my ancestors I'll meet them with a smile.

1st Timothy 1:4 Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in faith.

I have seen my tired, weary LDS brothers and sisters hanging on by a thread, burdened with the guilt to do, do, do.

Burdened with being perfect. Or lapping up the image of perfection they feel entitled to convey.

Aside from spiritual arrogance or spiritual burnout, the worst thing of all about LDS temples is what it does to the members actual relationship to Jesus Christ.

With all this work, He usually takes a major backseat – they have become saviors

<p>of themselves, and their families, and the dead!</p> <p>And grist for the mill of called Mormonism, who call activity faithfulness, and the mindless bondage the plan of happiness.</p> <p>Why do I fight against these edifices of false hope? Because they literally suck the life out of some very, very good people.</p> <p>May they all crumble to the dust.</p> <p>Let's go to the phones and some emails.</p> <p>(801) 973-TV20 (801) 973-8820</p>	
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<p>CONCLUSION</p> <p>Pastor in an Oven:</p> <p>Pastor in the Pub tonight:</p> <p>Lord'sWord:</p>	