

The Babblings and Blasphemies of Benny Hinn

Matthew 24:11

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The verse of Scripture that we would like to leave with you this evening is Matthew chapter 24, verse 11: “And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.”^a

We have previously announced our subject for this evening is the babblings and blasphemies of televangelist, faith healer, whatever you want to call him, Benny Hinn. The Lord Jesus in this passage of Scripture reveals to his disciples some of those things that will take place in the last days prior to the Lord’s return and to the end of the world. We read there in verse three, “And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?”^b

It is interesting to note how the Lord Jesus began answering this particular challenge from the disciples. For in verses four and five, “And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.”^c That’s where the Lord began; by telling his disciples the days prior to his coming would be days of deception. And then he went on to say in verse five, “For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.”^d And then the Lord went on to speak about wars and rumors of wars. He went on to speak about how nation shall rise against nation, kingdom against kingdom. He went on to say that there would be famines and pestilences, earthquakes in diverse places. The Lord Jesus dealt with the deception of that day of all and that it would be a day of false teaching and false prophets.

The false prophets will be in the vanguard of this deception. For we read in verse 23 and verse 24, “Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.”^e

It will be a day of false prophets, false messages; a day of deception and counterfeit. When we look around us today we see the apostasy and the false prophets that occupy the pulpits of apostate churches. We look wider a field and we behold some of these world wide evangelists; these men that appear in television on a daily basis. They make amazing proclamations. One such individual is a man by the name of Benny Hinn. The son of Arab parents, Benny Hinn is one of the leading charismatic faith healers televangelists of this day. His Benny Hinn Ministries website states that his popular daily half hour television program, *This is Your Day*, is seen across the United States and around the world in more than 190 nations. It is seen on a daily basis on more than 90 television stations, a national cable network, satellite links are continually being added. So it would appear that Benny Hinn is quite successful at what he is doing.

^a Matthew 24:11 (All Scripture references are taken from the King James Version of the Bible unless indicated otherwise).

^b Matthew 24:3

^c Matthew 24:4

^d Matthew 24:5

^e Matthew 24:23,24

We must ask ourselves this evening: What is it that has made this person, this individual, so popular that he has in these days such a following? Wherever he holds his crusades thousands – tens of thousands – of people gather there to witness the happenings, the things that are done and the things that Benny Hinn has to say.

I would like to say that anyone who has any spiritual discernment or any knowledge of the Scriptures will recognize Benny Hinn from his antics, his announcements and proclamations and so-called prophecies; they will recognize Benny Hinn as one of the false prophets that the Lord Jesus spoke about here in Mathew 24. He may be recognized as a false prophet by the statements and claims he has made over the years; statements and claims we're told he has made under the anointing – referring to the anointing of the Holy Spirit. This anointing, according to the author Kirk Hutch... You may have read his book on the occult. According to that publication in his book Kirk Hutch states that Benny Hinn received this anointing from another charismatic Katherine Pullman. In fact, Benny Hinn esteems Katherine Pullman very highly. This is the same Katherine Pullman who was also a mentor for John Arnot of the Toronto Airport Christian Fellowship or the Toronto Blessing. Now, you're beginning to get the link. And it is to Toronto's Air Canada Center that Benny Hinn is scheduled to appear in July 11th and 12th – just a few days time – for one of his great miracle healing crusades.

I believe it is important for us to be aware, to know what these men are about; to examine this man's message and this man's ministry under the spotlight of God's holy infallible and inspired Word. And if Benny Hinn's message and ministry does not tally with God's Word we reject Benny Hinn's message and his ministry. We reject him as a false prophet and we reject his message as a false message.

So let us consider this individual, the things he has said. I could easily keep you here to midnight. I have had to be very selective in bringing before you tonight some of the statements and his claims.

I want us to consider first of all the babblings of Benny Hinn. When we listen to a little child, an infant, before the child learns to speak it will just babble. It will just make noise. You cannot understand what the child is saying and what it is attempting to say makes no sense. That is why I am speaking tonight first of all about the babblings of Benny Hinn because many of the things that he has said and the statements he has come out with do not make any sense. And they most certainly do not hold up under close scrutiny of God's infallible Word.

Let us first of all, then, give you some examples of the babblings of Benny Hinn. What I am about to say and quote from Benny Hinn was spoken by him on *Praise the Lord*, Trinity Broadcasting Network, October 19, 1999. This is what he has to say about dead people being raised to life as they are placed in front of a television set. He said, "But here is first what I see for TBN. You're going to have people raised from the dead watching this network. You're going to have people raised from the dead watching TBN. Programs, just plain programs, programs that haven't done much when it comes to supernatural manifestations, teaching programs. It's not going to be a Benny Hinn saying, 'Stretch your hands.' It's going to be your average teaching program, your normal Christian program that's blessing the Church. There's going to be such power in these programs. People will be raised from the dead worldwide. I'm telling you. I see this in the Spirit."

Now remember, and remember this. These quotations that we're giving you, Hinn claims to be under the influence and the anointing of the Holy Spirit. And he says, "I'm telling you this in the Spirit. It's going to be so awesome. Jesus, I give you praise for this that people around the world – maybe not so

much in America – people around the world who will lose loved ones will say to undertakers, ‘Not yet. I want to take my dead loved one and place him in front of that TV set for 24 hours.’”

You talk about the babblings of Benny Hinn. Does that make any sense? It doesn’t make any sense to me. Another man that appeared on the program with him Paul Crouch, he replies, “Benny Hinn Jesus.” He is taking the Lord’s name in vain.

Benny Hinn then replies, “I’m telling you. People will be...people I’m telling you. I feel the anointing talking to you. People are going to be canceling funeral services and bringing their dead in their caskets, placing them....My God says.” That’s taking the Lord’s name in vain.

“I feel the anointing here. Placing men before a television set, waiting for God’s power to come through and touch them. And it’s going to happen time and time, so much. It’s going to spread. You’re going to hear it from Kenya to Mexico to Europe to South America where people will be raised from the dead much so the word will spread that if some dead person be put in front of this TV screen they will be raised from the dead and they will be by the thousands.”

Now this is his prophecy. And he says that he is speaking with the anointing of the Holy Spirit. And this was prophesied October 19, 1999. I haven’t heard of one person being raised from the dead sitting in front of a television.

He goes on to say, “I see something quite amazing. I see rows of caskets lining up in front of this TV set and I see them bringing them closer to the TV set as people are coming closer. I see actually loved ones taking up the hands of the dead and letting them touch the screen and people are getting raised as their hands are touching the screen.

The babblings of Benny Hinn.

Let me go on with something else in another vein. Benny Hinn tells us that when we pray we should, “Never ever go to the Lord and say, ‘If it be thy will.’ Don’t allow such faith destroying words to be spoken from your mouth. When you pray, ‘if it be your will, Lord,’ faith will be destroyed. Doubt will billow up and flood your being. Be on guard against words like this which will rob you of your faith and drag you down in despair.” A quote from his book *Raised and Be Healed*, page 47.

Now, here is a man who claims to speak with the anointing of the Spirit of God. Here is a man that claims to be a great spiritual leader. And this man says, “Never ever, ever go to the Lord and say, ‘If it be thy will.’”

Turn with me to James chapter four. The Epistle of James, chapter four, verse 13: “Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain: whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. [Verse 15:] For that ye ought to say,”^f Benny Hinn says, “Don’t say this.” The Word of God says ye ought to say, “If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that.”^g That’s what the Lord tells us to do, that we are indeed to say, “Lord, if it is thy will.”

^f James 4:13-15

^g James 4:15

And we as God's people are to be Christ like. We're to be like the Lord Jesus and how did the Lord Jesus pray in Gethsemane's garden? "...not my will, but thine, be done."^h How did the Lord Jesus teach us to pray in Luke chapter 11? Every child knows what is called the Lord's Prayer. Luke chapter 11: "And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples. And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth."ⁱ That's what the Lord says. Who are we to believe? We reject totally, absolutely, completely the babblings of Benny Hinn.

He has something to say about the first man, something to say about Adam. He says, "Adam was a super being when God created him. I don't know whether people know this, but he was the first superman that really ever lived. First of all, the Scriptures declare clearly that he had 'dominion over the fowls of the air, the fish of the sea' which means he used to fly. Of course, how can he have dominion over the birds and not be able to do what they do?" Talk about rending the Scriptures. He goes on to say, "The word dominion in the Hebrew clearly declares that if you have dominion over a subject that you do everything that subject does. In other words that subject if it does something you cannot do, you don't have dominion over it. I'll prove it further. Adam not only flew, he flew to space. He was with one thought he would be on the moon." That's what he thinks of Adam – a superman who was able to fly and with one thought could be on the moon.

The babblings of Benny Hinn.

Let me give you something else. You remember when Job suffered great loss. He lost all of his possessions. Job said, "...the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD."^j This is what Benny Hinn had to say. He said this on the *Benny Hinn Program*, Trinity Broadcasting Network, November 3rd 1990. "You know what? We have said this a million times. And it's not even Scripture; all because of Job. "...the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD."^k

"I have news for you," Benny Hinn tells us, "that is not Bible. That is not Bible. The Lord giveth and never taketh away. And just because he said, 'Blessed be the name of the Lord,' don't mean that he's right. When he said, 'Blessed be the name,' he was just being religious. And being religious doesn't mean you're right."

Absolute garbage! Turn to Job chapter one. Let us indeed see what the Bible does say about Job. Now, remember Benny Hinn says that Job was no more than a religious man. Thousands of religious people today and that's all they have is their religion. They'll never be in the kingdom of Heaven because that's all they have is their religion. They don't have the Redeemer and they don't have redemption.

He said that Job was just a religious man. Well, that's not the Lord's testimony of Job. Verse one of Job chapter one, "There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil."^l That's the Holy Spirit's testimony of Job. Benny Hinn's testimony of Job was that he was just a religious man. The Holy Spirit's testimony of Job was that he was a perfect man or a justified man. He was upright; he feared God and he eschewed evil.

^h Luke 22:42

ⁱ Luke 11:1,2

^j Job 1:21

^k Ibid.

^l Job 1:1

Chapter two, verse three of Job: “And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, to destroy him without cause.”^m

Benny Hinn said that Job was nothing more than a religious man. God says that Job is a righteous man, a justified man, one that feared God and eschewed evil.

Benny Hinn said that we should never say, “The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away.” Benny Hinn doesn’t realize. He’s just so ignorant and he doesn’t know what is further recorded about Job. “In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.”ⁿ

It’s just more babblings of Benny Hinn.

For being a so-called faith healer he loves to speak about sickness. I could take the rest of the evening answering Benny Hinn in the matter of sickness. This is what he had to say about sickness. He says, “Sickness does not belong to you. It has no part in the body of Christ. Sickness does not belong to any of us. The Bible declares that if the Word of God is in our life there will be health, there will be healing; divine health and divine healing. There will be no sickness for the saint of God. If Moses could live such a healthy life so can you,” he goes on to say. “He promises to heal all, every one, any, any whatsoever, everything, all our diseases. That means not even a headache, sinus problem, not even a toothache, nothing. No sickness should come your way.” A quote from *Rise and Be Healed*, page 14 and page 32.

Now is that Scripture? Is what we have just quoted of Benny Hinn, is that Scriptural? We had better find out. Turn to 2 Corinthians chapter 12. You are probably aware of the passage of the Scripture to which we are turning where Paul had an affliction. He had some sickness or other, what he called a thorn in the flesh. Some believe that Paul suffered from a disease of the eyes. 2 Corinthians 12:7: “And lest I should be exalted above measure...”^o There was a reason for Paul’s sickness, Paul’s infirmity. Here was the reason for it. There was a reason for it. “And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee:”^p

Did the Lord heal Paul? No, he didn’t. Did Paul have the gift of healing? Why didn’t Paul heal himself? So it is the will of God for God’s people to be sick from time to time. It is the will of God. It is the teaching of Scripture.

C. H. Spurgeon suffered from gout for the most of his days. Are we going to say C. H. Spurgeon wasn’t right with God? He was one of the greatest preachers who ever lived, a man who is called the Prince of Preachers.

Robert Murray M’Cheyne was a holy and a godly man. They described him as holy M’Cheyne. And yet M’Cheyne was a very weak individual, weak in body and he died in his 30th year.

^m Job 2:3

ⁿ Job 1:22

^o 2 Corinthians 12:7

^p 2 Corinthians 12:7-9

David Brainerd the missionary was a man that suffered great sickness and weakness in body. I tell you these men with their sicknesses did more in their lifetime than Benny Hinn will ever do.

Spurgeon led thousands to Christ. They're still talking about M'Cheyne and Brainerd today. They being dead their ministry lives on and follows them.

Here is Paul. He was sick and he asked the Lord to remove that sickness and the Lord didn't remove the sickness. Instead the Lord said, "My grace is sufficient for thee:"^q He said, "I'll give you the grace to bear the sickness."

"...for my strength is made perfect in weakness."^r There was benefit. There was blessing from Paul's sickness. God's strength was made perfect in Paul's weakness. "Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me."^s

Give me the word of Paul any day. In verse 20 of 2 Timothy chapter two Paul here was speaking about some of his fellow laborers, those who labored with him and were laboring with him in the gospel. "Erastus abode at Corinth: but Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick."^t Trophimus was a servant of God, a missionary who went out and sacrificed many things for the cause of Christ and he was sick. And the Lord allowed him to be sick. Benny Hinn tells us that we should never be sick. The poor man doesn't know what he is talking about.

Go back to 1 Timothy chapter five. Here was Paul's word to Timothy. Evidently Timothy had a weakness in the body, some kind of infirmity. For we read in verse 23 of 1 Timothy five, "Drink no longer water, but use a little wine for thy stomach's sake and thine often [often!] infirmities."^u

How did Paul describe young Timothy? In chapter one of 2 Timothy at verse five, "When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also." Timothy was a young man of unfeigned faith. He was the genuine article. And yet Timothy had his often infirmities.

Now, if we could speak to Timothy today we would say, "Timothy, Benny Hinn says you should never be sick. Benny Hinn says you should never have these infirmities."

Turn to Philippians chapter two, verse 25: "Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labour, and fellowsoldier, but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants."^v There are quite a few titles there for Epaphroditus: companion in labor, fellow soldier, messenger, minister. "For he longed after you all, and was full of heaviness, because that ye had heard that he had been sick."^w Epaphroditus was sick. It is very evident he was a godly man, a man with a love in his heart for the work of God and the servants of the Lord and the people of the Lord. In verse 27 Paul wrote, "For indeed he was sick nigh unto death: but God had mercy on him; and not on him only, but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow. I sent him therefore the more carefully,

^q 2 Corinthians 12:9

^r Ibid.

^s Ibid.

^t 2 Timothy 2:20

^u 1 Timothy 5:23

^v Philippians 2:25

^w Philippians 2:26

that, when ye see him again, ye may rejoice, and that I may be the less sorrowful. Receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladness; and hold such in reputation: because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his life, to supply your lack of service toward me.”^x The words there mean that Epaphroditus worked so hard in the work of God that he lay at death’s door. That’s what it means. He was sick. He was nigh unto death. He was sick and lying at death’s door.

Benny Hinn says he shouldn’t have been sick. Paul shouldn’t have been sick. Timothy shouldn’t have been sick. It’s just another example of the babblings of Benny Hinn.

Then a good man for making prophecies made this prophecy for the ‘90s on his program *This is Your Day*, Orlando Christian Center, January 1, 1990 – 12 years ago. I could tell you a lot of the prophecies that he made – so-called prophecies – but I just want to highlight this one. He prophesied that in the ‘90s the sodomite community in America would be destroyed by fire. He said, “The Lord also tells me.” Mark those words again. Benny Hinn says the Lord told him this. “The Lord also tells me to tell you in the mid-90s – about ’94, ’95, no later than that – God will destroy the homosexual community in America. But he will not destroy it with what many minds have thought him to be. He will destroy it with fire. And many will turn and be saved and many will rebel and be destroyed.”

More babblings. A million people were in Toronto last week for that sodomite parade. Millions go to Disney in Orlando every year even using the term for gay pride day. Let’s give them their proper biblical title – sodomites. Benny Hinn prophesied and says, “The Lord told me that they would be destroyed by fire around ’94, ’95.” Well, it hasn’t happened. It hasn’t happened. The Lord didn’t kill them. It wasn’t the anointing of the Spirit of God that was upon him. It was another Spirit. It wasn’t the Lord Jesus that told him.

More babblings.

In the same program he went on to say, “The Spirit tells me.” The Spirit told him in 1990 that, “Fidel Castro will die in the ‘90s. Oh, my some will try to kill him and they will not succeed, but there will come a change in his physical health and he will not stay in power and Cuba will be visited by God. I will visit you.”

The last I heard Fidel Castro is alive and well. And unfortunately as yet no revival has broken out in Cuba.

You’ll be interested to know that Benny Hinn doesn’t believe God created the heavens and the earth in six days. He sides with the evolutionists in this matter because he said in one of his programs, “Billions of years ago – not millions – billions of years ago God created the heavens and the earth.” And then he goes on to say, “You’ve got to understand. Science confirms the Bible.” No it doesn’t. It’s the Bible that confirms science. We don’t go to science to find out if such and such is true. We go to the Word of God. This is God’s holy Word. But Benny Hinn says, “You’ve got to understand that science confirms the Bible, not the other way around.”

And I never will forget a guy sitting on *Nightline* with Ted Koppel. And they were talking back and forth about how old the earth is. And the scientist said, “It’s probably billions. And this preacher said, “Six thousand.” I said, “You preacher ought to just shut up,” because he didn’t know what he was talking about. And they made a fool out of him because he just didn’t know the Bible really teaches,

^x Philippians 2:27-30

“Yes, it’s been 6000 years since Adam, of course it has. We all know that. But the earth is not 6000 years old.”

More babblings from Benny Hinn. The Bible tells us when the earth was made and I believe it.

Now, here’s a good one. At Oral Roberts University broadcasts on Trinity Broadcasting Network, August 4, 1997. Benny Hinn quotes God almighty. And he begins this way, “And I prophesy it in the Holy Ghost. I prophecy it in the Spirit. God almighty is about to sweep into the evangelical movement of America with a mighty revival of the Holy Ghost.” He goes on, “Get ready, lady, you who have been married to an ungodly husband who comes home and mocks your faith in God, curses you, calls you names. He tells you you’re crazy to go and listen to some preacher named Benny Hinn; who tells you you’re crazy to go to church. Get ready for the day to come when God will tell you, ‘Lay on his side of the bed. And you’ll say, ‘Why, Lord?’ He will say, ‘Lay on his side of the bed because the anointing on you is about to rub the sheets and the pillow. And he’s going to walk home. One day he’ll come home and when he lays in bed the power of God will take hold of him and he’ll look at you and say, ‘Honey, I want Jesus.’”

He completely rules out the preaching of the Word of God. He’s really saying that that unsaved man doesn’t need to get under the sound of the preaching of the Word. His wife just needs to lie on his side of the bed and the anointing will go on the sheets and the pillow and her husband will lie on that side of the bed and get saved. Even though Paul tells us, “...faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”^y Paul says nothing about the wife lying on the on the husband’s side of the bed. In fact Paul, in 1 Corinthians 7:13-16 deals with the matter of an unsaved husband and a saved wife in the home. And Paul emphasizes the fact that through the witness and testimony and behavior of the godly saved wife in the home, the husband may be saved. That’s what the Scriptures teach.

There’s something else. Benny Hinn reportedly said that the Spirit of God told him that God originally designed women to give birth out of their sides. More babblings from Benny Hinn.

Regarding the Lord appearing in a physical form in one of his meetings this is what he had to say. He said, “I believe. Hear this. Hear this. I believe that Jesus, God’s Son, is about to appear physically in meetings and to believers around the world to wake us up. He appeared after his resurrection and he’s about to appear before his Second Coming. You know a prophetess sent me word through my wife right here and she said, ‘Tell your husband that Jesus is going to physically appear in his meetings. I’m expecting to see; I’m telling you I feel it’s going to happen.’ I am careful in how I am saying it now because I know that people in Kenya are listening. I know deep in my soul something supernatural is going to happen in Nairobi, Kenya. I feel that I may very well come back and you and Jan,” that’s the two people with him in the broadcast, “are coming. Paul and Jan are coming to Nairobi with me. But, Paul, we may very well come back with footage of Jesus on the platform.

“Now hear this. I am prophesying this. Jesus Christ, the Son of God is about to appear physically in some churches, in some meetings, and to many of his people for one reason: to tell you he’s about to show up.”

Terrible, isn’t it. Just amazing. If anybody with any wit or ounce of sense at all intended to go to Benny Hinn’s meetings, surely a closer examination of this man’s ministry and his statements would turn them right off and have nothing to do with such a false prophet.

^y Romans 10:17

Concerning his behavior: Benny Hinn pronounced a curse on all who criticize him. So we better watch out. The curse is on the way. This is what he said. He said this at one of his crusades in Denver, Colorado, 17th of September, 1999. He said, “I place a curse on every man and every woman who would stretch out his hand against this anointing. I curse that man who dares to speak a word against this ministry.” Is that Scriptural? The answer is found in James, a number of passages of Scripture.

Turn to James chapter three. Balaam couldn’t curse Jacob because of God’s blessing on Jacob. Here we read in James chapter three and verse eight that, “...the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.”^z Note the context. James is speaking about the tongue, full of deadly poison. No man can tame it. “Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God. Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be.”^{aa}

Can a person with the same tongue bless one people and pronounce a curse on the other. In Numbers 23:7,8 we read that Balaam was employed to pronounce a curse on Israel. He said, “How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed? or how shall I defy, whom the LORD hath not defied?”^{bb} We could go on.

And then we go on further with regard to his behavior. He commented on this curse that he had placed on those that opposed his ministry and stood against him. He said on *Praise the Lord*, Trinity Broadcasting Network, September 10th 1999. He said, “Yes, Lord, I’ll do it. I’ll place a curse on every man and every woman that will stretch his hand against this anointing. I curse that man who dares to speak a word against this ministry. And any man and any woman that raises his or her hand in blessing towards this ministry, I’ll bless that man. I’ll bless that home. I’ll bless that family.”

Benny Hinn went on to say, “Under this anointing the words I speak cannot fall to the ground. Under this anointing every thing I say happens.” Now he is claiming infallibility. He’s just a little pope.

Of course he makes appeals to his listeners and his followers for money. It’s evident he’s very covetous for he had this to say on a praise-a-thon April 2nd 1991. He said, “Years ago they used to preach, ‘Oh, we are going to walk on streets of gold.’ I would say, ‘I don’t need the gold up there. I have got to have it down here.’”

Paul told Timothy in 1 Timothy 6:10, “...the love of money is the root of all evil”^{cc}

Benny Hinn also made a proclamation on a praise-a-thon, *Praise the Lord*, November 6th 1990 he said, “I am a little Messiah walking on earth.” His latest means and ways of attracting people to his broadcast and his crusades is now that he is able to communicate with the dead. He has had dreams. I’ll not take time to go through the rubbish of these dreams. He said they were more like a vision. And he went on to say, “You may have a problem with this. I honestly don’t really care. I have walked in that supernatural world. I have seen things you will never be able to understand unless you’ve been in it. I have had individuals appear to me in my room, not only angels. I have seen sights in prayer, incredible sights.”

^z James 3:8

^{aa} James 3:9,10

^{bb} Numbers 23:8

^{cc} 1 Timothy 6:10

He goes to graves and believes he and others who go to these graves are able to get anointing from the dead people entombed there in those graves. He said this of a woman called Amy Semple Macpherson concerning her burial place, speaking of those who were with him in this program he said, "They're going to come with me. You, you, you, gonna feel the anointing at Amy's tomb. It's incredible. And Katherine's. It's amazing. I have heard of people healed when they visit that tomb. They were totally healed by God's power. You say, 'What a crazy thing!'"

Yes, we do say, "What a crazy thing!" That's popery. That's necromancy. That's dealing with familiar spirits. Scriptures declared teaching is that we're to avoid these things.

And then we come to the worst part of all. We come to his blasphemies and heresies. The network on which his program appears, Trinity Broadcasting Network; this is what he had to say about that. "TBN, Trinity Broadcasting Network, will no longer be just a television network. It will be an extension of Heaven to earth. It's the link between Heaven and earth, this television broadcast."

Paul Crouch said, "My Jesus, have mercy," in response to what Benny Hinn said.

It's all so irreverent, isn't it, the way they use the Lord's name? I can't stand it.

Benny Hinn then replied, "The Lord just said to me these words. I'm hearing myself say them for the first time. 'TBN will not be only a Christian network. It will be an extension of Heaven to the earth and it will be like a tube from Heaven that the earth can look and say, 'I'm looking at Heaven. I'm partaking of Heaven. I'm getting connected to Heaven through this TV tube.'" If I can say it, it will be Heaven's signal to earth. It will be as though Heaven is transmitting and earth is receiving through that set. So if you want to go to Heaven, you want to see Heaven, you want to taste Heaven, tune on that channel 'cause you will."

I thought the only way to go to Heaven was through the atoning death and trusting in the finished work and through the shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. And when Paul was taken up into the third Heaven he saw things that he could not utter. He couldn't tell anybody what he saw. No. I am depending on the Lord Jesus to get me to Heaven, not some television station.

And who is the link between Heaven and earth? The Lord Jesus Christ is.

Jacob lay under the open canopy of Heaven and he had a dream and he saw a ladder extended from Heaven to earth and angels ascending and descending. Remember when he woke he said, "Surely the LORD is in this place; and I knew it not."^{dd} And the Lord Jesus commented on that dream that Jacob had and this is what he said. John 1:51: "And he saith unto him, [that is to Nathaniel] Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."^{ee}

The ladder is a type of Christ according to Lord's own Word. Christ is the link between Heaven and earth. Christ is the mediator. Christ is the one that came into this world.

This is what he had to say about the trinity. Bless God. As a church we believe in the blessed Trinity: three persons in the Godhead; Father, Son and Holy Spirit equal in substance, power and glory. Benny

^{dd} Genesis 28:16

^{ee} John 1:51

Hinn doesn't believe that. "Man, I feel revelation knowledge already coming on me here. Lift your hands. Something new is going to happen here today. I feel it just as I walk down here. Holy Spirit, take over in the name of Jesus. God the Father, ladies and gentleman, is a person. And he is a triune being by himself – separate from the Son. The Father is a triune being," he tells us, "separate from the Son."

That's not what the Lord Jesus said. Read his high priestly prayer in John 17:22. And the Lord Jesus declares there that the Father and the Son are one. They are one.

It is a heresy. Benny Hinn goes on to say, "See, God the Father is a person. God the Son is a person. God the Holy Ghost is a person. But each one of them is a triune being by himself. If I can shock you," and that would be a key word for that is what he is about. If he can make these pronouncements that shock people they get more people to go the next time around to hear what other statement is coming out. And he says, "If I can shock you and maybe I should, there's nine of them." This is the God head. "Nine of them," is what he said.

"Huh? What did you say? Let me explain. God the Father, ladies and gentlemen, is a person with his own personal spirit, with his own personal soul and his own personal spirit body. You say, 'Huh? I never heard that.' Well, you think you're in this church to hear things you've heard for the last 50 years? You can't argue with the Word can you? It's all in the Word."

Benny Hinn, I'm afraid to tell you it's not in the Word. Such garbage and rubbish is not in the Word. He made that statement on the *Praise the Lord* show....