Barack Hussein Obama - Antichrist? Joseph Herrin (11-11-08)



I John 2:18-20

Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have appeared; from this we know that it is the last hour. They went out from us, but they were not really of us; for if they had been of us, they would have remained with us; but they went out, so that it would be shown that they all are not of us. But you have an anointing from the Holy One...

Many people have written to ask me what I think concerning Barack Obama. Some have pointedly asked me if I believed he was "THE Antichrist." I will share with you what I have discerned. Let me begin by defining who or what the term antichrist refers to.

Some have popularized an image of Antichrist as one who renounces Christians and Christianity, being a brutal oppressor and persecutor of the church. Although there is some merit to this description, we should keep in mind what has been shared in the recent series *Divorced From Truth*. Satan does not need to get people to openly denounce the Son of God. All he really needs to do is to redefine Christ, putting forth an alternate image of the Christ in the minds of the people.

Many people have suggested that the Pope is THE Antichrist. The Catholic

Church has certainly presented an image of the Son of God that is blasphemous in many ways, having merged many pagan beliefs into their doctrines and practices. I would highly recommend the book *The Two Babylons* by Alexander Hislop to any who want to do some research into the matter of the Roman Catholic Church being a modern manifestation of the ancient Babylonian mystery religions. The Roman Catholic Church truly drinks from a cup of fornication, and has shed the blood of millions of the saints of God over the years.

One of the titles for the Pope is "The Vicar of Christ." In Latin this is "Vicarius Christi," meaning "a substitute of Christ." I believe it is more appropriate to understand the Antichrist as a substitute Christ than as one who will appear on the world scene as an enemy of Christianity. Does not the Roman Catholic Church pretend to be worshiping Jesus Christ, the Son of God? They do not outwardly deny Him. What they have done is to present an image of the Christ that has been perverted and corrupted.

The word "Christ" literally means "anointed one." The Son of God was anointed with the Holy Spirit of His Father. The Holy Spirit is the believers anointing in the same way that the Holy Spirit was the source of anointing for Yahshua the Messiah.

Luke 4:18-19

"*The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He anointed Me* to preach the gospel to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are downtrodden, to proclaim the favorable year of the Lord."

Acts 10:38

"You know of Yahshua of Nazareth, how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power..."

Acts 1:7-8 He said to them..., "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you..."

I John 2:20 But *you have an anointing from the Holy One...* 

This last verse was cited at the opening of this article. John declares these

words immediately after declaring that many Antichrists have gone out into the world. These statements are set as contrasts to one another, and by comparing them we can gain much understanding about the nature of those who are Antichrists.

Those who belong to Christ "have an anointing from the Holy One." By contrast we understand that those who are Antichrists have an anointing from some other source, and that source is not "the Holy One." I have posted a presentation of the subject of anointing, and I highly recommend it to those who desire to understand this subject better.

## http://www.heart4god.ws/id597.htm

Authentic anointing is defined as "the power of God to accomplish His will." Whenever God appointed a man or woman to a work, He never intended them to carry it out in their own strength or power. He would provide them the power to accomplish His work. The flesh cannot accomplish the will of God, for it profits nothing. It is the Spirit who alone can accomplish the works of God.

Satan, of course, offers a counterfeit anointing in order to enable men to accomplish his works in this world. Satan rarely marches out and openly identifies himself, or his workers. He seeks to portray himself and those in league with him as workers of righteousness.

## II Corinthians 11:13-15

Such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, disguising themselves as apostles [sent ones] of Christ. No wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. Therefore it is not surprising if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness, whose end will be according to their deeds.

These false apostles and deceitful workers are one and the same as those whom John called Antichrists.

"They went out from us, but they were not really of us; for if they had been of us, they would have remained with us; but they went out, so that it would be shown that they all are not of us."

Barack Obama has stated publicly that he is a Christian. I can say with all

assurance that he is not a Christian, for he is readily discerned by his fruit.

## Matthew 7:15-18

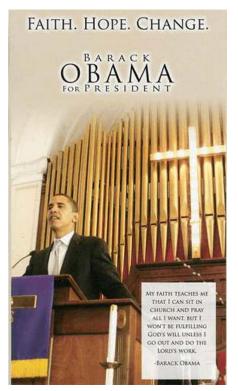
"Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits. Grapes are not gathered from thorn bushes nor figs from thistles, are they? So every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit."

Barack Obama is a "deceitful worker." He says he is a Christian, but his other words and actions belie such a claim. Barack Obama is an advocate and defender of homosexuality. He has voted against any and all limitations against abortion, even to voting down a bill that would have required medical personnel to provide life support to babies who were born alive during a failed abortion attempt. Time and space does not permit an exhaustive accounting of the unrighteous words and actions of this man who is labeled as "the most liberal member of Congress."

The apostle Paul wrote "it is not surprising if [Satan's] servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness." I have never witnessed an election before that spent so much effort in seeking to portray a candidate as a servant of righteousness. Congressman Ron Paul recently shared in an interview with Alex Jones that the Obama campaign received and spent 750 million dollars. This included full thirty minute programs running on multiple channels simultaneously. Ron Paul says the amount actually expended, when considering all the free press and positive news reporting on Obama comes closer to two billion dollars spent over the past two years.

This is a staggering sum of money to be spent to form an image of this man in the minds of the populace. It eclipses all the money spent by all other candidates combined. Certainly Satan has very big designs for this man who has been promoted to such an extreme degree.

Yet, it is not simply the amount of promotion that is evidenced, but the form of this promotion. Barack Obama has had an image shaped around him of one who is a messianic figure, a savior of mankind. The language employed in his promotion has been the language of religion.



The images of Barack Obama have been religious in the mental associations they evoke. This religious tone is easily recognizable, even flagrant at times.



At other times it is subliminal, but definitely recognizable.



This use of the above hand symbol was encouraged among supporters of Obama. The main focus is on the shape of the O, as in Obama. What is more subtle is that the arms and hands together form the shape of the A. The message is once more messianic. Obama is the Alpha and the Omega. There is even an outraying of light spreading forth from this symbol.

The pervasiveness of messianic symbolism in Obama's campaign is so great that I would likely overwhelm some of the e-mail programs that are used to download this post by including even a small portion of the images and testimonies that reveal that this was deliberate in its intent. However, I will provide a couple of links to websites that have done a good job of compiling this information.

http://www.obamamessiah.blogspot.com/ http://www.obamaformessiah.com/

It is evident that Barack Obama is being promoted as a messianic figure, a savior of mankind, and multitudes of men and women have bought into the hype. Their words of praise, and the unrealistic expectations they have of this man, are truly those that one would find in association with someone who could walk on water and provide bread out of heaven. Even national reporters, who have attempted to maintain an appearance of objectivity, have lost all reserve. Christ Matthews of MSNBC had the following to say:



I have to tell you, you know, it's part of reporting this case, this election, the feeling most people get when they hear Barack Obama's speech. My, I felt this thrill going up my leg. I mean, I don't have that too often. No, seriously. It's a dramatic event.

Illinois State Representative Jesse Jackson Jr., who was a part of the Obama campaign made the following statement after Obama won the Democratic nomination for President.

I cried all night. I'm going to be crying for the next four years," he said. "What Barack Obama has accomplished is the single most extraordinary event that has occurred in the 232 years of the nation's political history. ... The event itself is so extraordinary that another chapter could be added to the Bible to chronicle its significance.

This excess of praise is not mere hyperbole. Those making such statements are serious. On November 5<sup>th</sup>, the day after the Presidential election, the front page of the Macon Telegraph contained an image of Obama covering 3/4 of the page, with the following words superimposed on the image, "LET US SUMMON A NEW SPIRIT." These words were excerpted from Obama's victory speech. The context of these words was as follows:

Let us summon a new spirit of patriotism, of service and responsibility where each of us resolves to pitch in and work harder and look after not only ourselves, but each other.

I found it revelatory, however, that in Macon, Georgia, a center of Masonic influence, that the local newspaper cited the specific words that were chosen. Obama IS summoning a spirit, and imparting it to others as surely as Todd Bentley was manifesting and imparting unclean spirits in Lakeland, Florida.

I was made aware a few days ago that on November 5<sup>th</sup>, the day after the election when results were published in the papers, the Illinois lottery had an unusual manifestation of very symbolic numbers. Barack Obama is a senator from Illinois, residing in Chicago. The lottery numbers there can be verified at the website of The Chicago Tribune.

http://www.chicagotribune.com/features/lottery/chi-lottery,0,5523635.ht mlstory The Pick 3 numbers for the day after the election were 6-6-6.

The Pick 4 numbers were 7-7-7-9.

The numbers 6-6-6 should be familiar to everyone.

Revelation 13:18 Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate *the number of the beast*, for the number is that of a man; *and his number is six hundred and sixty-six*.

I have encountered three sevens on a number of occasions recently. The witness I have received from them is that we are at the end of the age. Seven is a number particularly associated with time, being mentioned from the first chapter of the Bible. Repeating the number three times signifies a fulness of time. I recently mentioned the significance of the number nine in another post.

THE NUMBER OF FINALITY OR JUDGMENT,

It marks the completeness, the end and issue of all things as to man—the judgment of man and all his works.

It is a factor of 666, which is 9 times 74.

The gematria of the word "Dan," which means a judge, is 54 (9x6).

"th orgh mou" (tee orgee mou), my wrath, = 999 (Heb 3:11).

*The solemn amhn (ameen), amen, or "verily," of our Lord, amounts also to 99, summing up and ending His words.* 

The sum of the 22 letters of the Hebrew alphabet is 4995 (5x999). It is stamped, therefore, with the numbers of grace and finality.

*The sum of the Greek alphabet is 3999.* [Source: <u>http://philologos.org/\_\_\_eb-nis/nine.htm</u>]

On the day after the election, in the very home state and city of the man who was elected, we have a testimony of the mark of the beast, the end of the age,

and finality and judgment. It is possible that the repetition of the number seven also serves as a testimony to the imminence of the seven year period known as the tribulation.

Is Barack Obama "AN Antichrist?" I am confident that he is. Is he "THE Antichrist?" I do not know. I have received no revelation from the Lord to tell me that he is or is not.

It is evident that his agenda will be to bring forth the one world government that is prophesied for the end of this age. He has been called "the world's president," and his popularity abroad is huge.

I was struck by the significance of the fact that he has announced this past week that his choice for White House Chief of Staff is Rahm Emanuel. Once more we see a subtle association between Obama and the messiah image. Emmanuel means "God with us," and it was a name associated with the Son of God. Now the names of Barack Obama and Emanuel will be linked together throughout his tenure in office.

It is being declared by Obama's staff that he will be very quick to begin implementing policy changes. He will hit the ground running. His first day as President will be January 20<sup>th</sup>, and there are rumors that on the 22<sup>nd</sup> that a new world reserve currency is to be announced. On the 15<sup>th</sup> of this month, world leaders will be meeting in Washington, D.C. to discuss a new reserve currency. The dollar is about to implode, and cannot be sustained much longer. It is certain that when a new currency comes in that many Americans who have their assets in dollars will find their value greatly diminished.

I recommend the following videos. The first is an interview with Congressman Ron Paul, and the second is with one of his policy advisors, Peter Schiff.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uqN2EKuXX2g http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H5vGxCCdesM&feature=related

The hour is certainly late. God is giving His people many warning signs of what is coming, but far too many are asleep. Their slumber will prove costly.

Ephesians 5:14-17

Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light." See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise,

redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

May you be blessed with peace and understanding in these days.