

## . They are not so different from their de ts in the 1980s

worldwide. Children in Iran are sent to die as martyrs in Iraq; Christians

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saved. They are not so underent from their descenteers in the Polos who wistfully years for salvation, even if it takes the form of nuclear war. Drawing Down the Moon espouses radical polytheism. It is grounded in the view that reality is multiple and diverse. It stands against all of the totalistic religious and political views that dominate our society. It says totalistic religious and political views that dominate our society. It asys, "Strive to be comfortable in chaos and complexity. Re as a Shaman who walks in many worlds. Try to feel strong and whole and at home in a world of diversity." The book's basic assumption is that your own spiritual path is not necessarily mine. In fact, Islamic and Christian fundamentalism are seen here as appropriate individual spiritual paths as long as each is seen as merely one flower in the garder. Folytheism always includes monotherism. The reverse is not true. The book focuses on modern Neo-Paganism and Withcraft because these religions turn out to be a surprising and amazing attempt by Westerners in the heart of our individual society to create non-subborita-

Westerners in the heart of our industrial society to create non-authoritar ian and non-dogmatic religions. There are many anti-authoritarian religious groups from liberal Christians to Unitarians. What's unusual

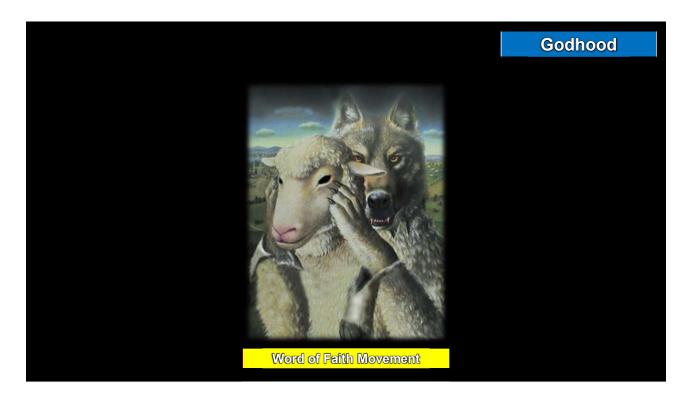
If you go far enough back, all our ancestors practiced relip ns that had In JOB 50 in though there are not increased pleasance to appendix the neither creeds nor dogmas, neither prophets nor holy books. These religions were based on the celebrations of the seasonal cycles of nature. They were based on what people did, as opposed to what people believed. It is these polytheistic religions of imminence that are being revived and re-created by Neo-Pagans today. This book is the story of that Pagan resurgence.

about modern Pagans is that they remain anti-authoritarian while

retaining rituals and ecstatic techniques that, in our culture, are used only

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Pagan resurgence. This book is the only detailed history of the origins of Neo-Paganism in the United States. In preparing this new edition, there was a constant tension between keeping the book as a piece of history and the desire to bring people up to date. Many people wrote to me requesting that there be additions instead of changes. Moreover, there was no time for a truly massive reconstruction of a book that took more than four years to write. In the end, I took a middle course—leaving most of the book intact, dding several new sections, making small changes here and there, and creating an extensive Resource Guide to Pagan groups, festivals, and icrumals. iournals





God came from heaven; became a man. Made man into little Gods; went back to heaven as a man. He faces the Father as a man. I face devils as the Son of God. [audience applause] Do you see what I'm talking about? You say "Benny Hinn, am I a little God?" You're a son of God, aren't you? [audience] "Yes." You're a child of God, aren't you? [audience] "Yes."

What else are you? [audience indistinct] Quit your nonsense. What else are you? [from the audience] "I am." If you say "I am" you're saying "I'm a part of Him." right? [audience] "Right." Is He God? [audience] "Yes." Are you His offspring? [audience] "Yes." Are you His children? [audience] "Yes." You can't be human. [audience applause]



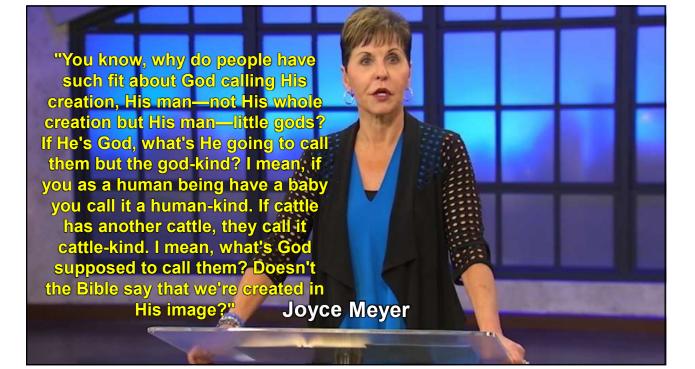
Morris Curello: John, come on up here. Come on. John Avanzini; one second; I want you to tell me what you hear the Spirit of God saying this morning. Tell me.

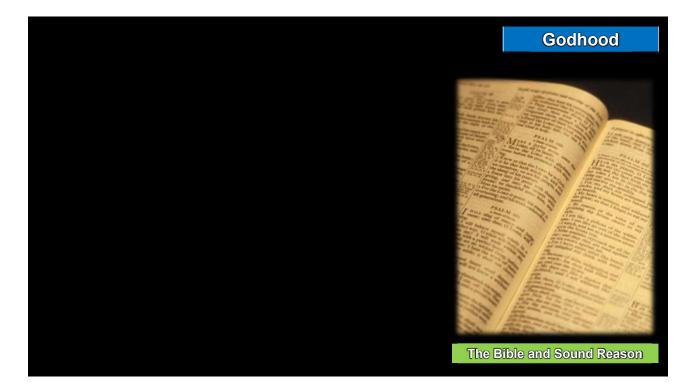
John Avanzini: What the Spirit of God . . . yes sir.

- Morris Curello: What you hear the Spirit of God saying this morning.
- John Avanzini: That's it's being declared in the Earth today what the eternal purpose of God has been through the ages and it's coming clearly now that God's people . . . that He is duplicating Himself in the Earth.

"Peter said it just as plain, he said 'we are partakers of the divine nature.' That nature is life eternal in absolute perfection. And that was imparted, injected into your spirit man and you have that imparted into you by God just as same as you imparted into your child the nature of humanity. That child wasn't born a whale. Born a human. Isn't that true? Well now, you don't have a human, do you? No. You are one. You don't have a God in you. You are one."









## ∽Jeremiah 10:10-11 ≪

But the LORD is the true God; He is the living God and the everlasting King. At His wrath the earth will tremble, And the nations will not be able to endure His indignation. Thus you shall say to them: "The gods that have not made the heavens and the earth shall perish from the earth and from under these heavens."



"as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust."

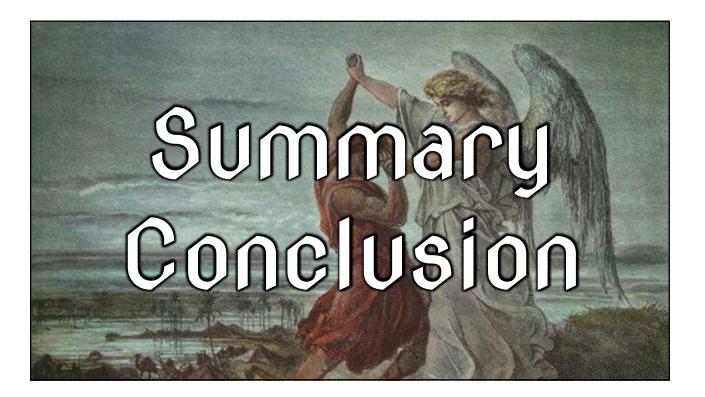
2 Peter 1:3-4



"Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? For they indeed for a few days chastened us as seemed best to them, but He for our profit, that we may be partakers of His holiness."

Heb. 12:9-10





## It is completely appropriate to judge doctrine.

Having judged doctrine, it is incumbent to expose the heresies that are spiritually injuring people. There are identifiable doctrines that constitute an occult view of reality.

These doctrines are at the core of the doctrines of the Word of Faith movement. These doctrines stand in stark contrast to the teachings of the Bible and to sound reason.