
Doctrine of Balaam

NOTE: According to Numbers 16, not only was the leadership of Korah and his gang from the congregation guilty of rebellion against God and thus slain as a pit opened up to swallow them and their families, but also 14,700 more of the congregation were slain by a plague for their following corrupt leadership.

In short, the purpose of the Bible study series on Christian fables--that is to prove that all churches and denominations right now are head over heels into the Falling Away by way of illustrating the present control in their churches of the 5 major Christian fables of the Bible--can not be achieved without some recognition of the background of false teachers that have created again recently these unsound doctrines of the 5 major Christian fables. {Granted there are far more than 5 fables of unsound doctrine in the church today, and even more fables at large in the word; but these five are chosen because they first arose in first century Christianity, were specifically dealt with in chapters, verses, and books of the Bible, hopefully to kill them before they became a spreading cancer among God's people, but which have in the last 40 or so years risen up their ugly heads to actually turn the heads of all churches, coming to the fourth stage of the Falling Away, "the turning away from truth", and the fifth and final stage, "being turned aside to fables". (I Timothy 4:3,4)

7-1: MOMENT OF BALAAM SANITY. What makes your presently beloved ministers and teachers go bad for "pay and personal gain", in the words of John Mc Arthur? For some background and understanding, we turn to the story of Balaam, and in particular one verse from Numbers 22:18, with a conviction from Balaam about faithfulness to the Word of God before he went mad and bad, one might call it a "Moment of Balaam Sanity".

"Then Balaam answered and said to the servants of Balak, 'Though Balak were to give me his house full of silver and gold, I could not go beyond the word of the LORD my God, to do less or more.'" (Numbers 22:18)

At this moment, Balaam was dominated by courage and conviction--

1. He could not hedge on God if paid a whole house of silver and gold.
2. Balaam refused to go beyond the Word of God in rebellion and fables.

Doctrine of Balaam

3. The word of God is to be “no more and no less”, not spiritualized as to what you would like for it to mean, but just let it say what it is trying to say in plain English. In the words of hermeneutics today, the science of biblical interpretation, it would be said to do exegesis--reading the exact meaning out of the Bible--rather than isogesis, to read meaning into the Bible.

7-2: Where have the 5 major Christian fables of today gone beyond the Bible as the Word of God to do less or more?

NOTE: Consider this only an introduction, the Bible details will be supplied later in the joint Bible studies on Balaam and Christian Fables.

1. The Christian fable of the “secret rapture” has both added and subtracted from the Bible, adding an unnecessary second coming of Christ to the Bible, also adding much confusion to eschatology, and subtracting from Christians a conviction that we are now in the Falling Away.

2. The Christian fable of “the gospel of prosperity” has subtracted away from the Bible all taught on “having food and raiment, be content”, all of the Bible on the dangers of money and wealth, of either having or wanting, and above all has overlooked greed and covetousness. Selfishness and “pride of life” are the most overlooked lusts of ministers. Generally you can find in all 5 major Christian fables of today, this false gospel of prosperity in common, the overwhelming desire for big pay and big personal gain.

3. The Christian fable of “The Religion of the Seared Conscience” that controls approximately one-half of Christianity today has almost too many additions and subtractions to name, and the Vatican leaders of such have long ago gone beyond the sanity of Balaam to Balaam’s insanity for “the wages of unrighteousness”. However the two greatest additions mentioned in the Bible to both identify them, and if possible correct them, is the commandment from leaders not to marry and to abstain from good meats.

4. The Christian fable of “Messianic Judaism” has tried to add back to the New Testament what Christ subtracted from the Old Testament to apply to the New Testament. Adherents try to restore the works of the law, ordinances, rules and regulations that Christ did away with when He nailed them to the Christ. How can we forgive such makers of fables when the Great Jerusalem Circumcision Con-

Doctrine of Balaam

ference met and settled this issue as covered in Acts 19, verified by the Apostles Peter, Paul, and James.

NOTE: You will find in each of these 5 major Christian fables of today, a common element where the false teachers have refused to either recognize or obey the authority of these writing apostles of the Bible. And most of the fable adherents have the same mental problem of those Paul tried to correct in I Corinthians 14 of the "Pentecostal Problem" {Christian Fable #5}, which is, they think the Word of God either came to their church only, or the Word of God came out of their church! In some ways this is the equivalent of more or less on the Bible; and like Balaam they do it for pay and gain.

7-3: While you can go to the webpage on "Christian Fables" for an outline of that Bible study series, there is a similar webpage outline of the corresponding Bible series called "Balaam", to be briefly introduced below. I am not saying that there is more in the Bible about Balaam than about Jacob, but there is far more in the Bible about Balaam than we realize until we cast our mental tents on the subject. And by the way, most of it is bad and a constant warning to those who would advance Christian fables for pay and personal gain.

NOTE: Find these two correlated Bible studies currently underway by going to the two different outlines on Bible pages of www.biblecombibleman.com and also reading your email and Google Plus circles' posts

(1) Progress chart on the "Christian Fables" Bible sessions at www.biblecombibleman.com/ChristianFables.html.

(2). Progress chart on Balaam at www.biblecombibleman.com/BalaamDoctrine.html.

Some Bible to expect on Balaam --

I. Balaam's Donkey talks to him to prevent Balaam from being killed by the angel of God, and the historical Old Testament story of Balaam as recorded in Numbers, chapters 22 and 31.

Doctrine of Balaam

II. Deuteronomy 23:4,5: an Ammonite or Moabite up to the tenth generation of his descendants forbidden to enter the assembly of the LORD because: (1) because they did not meet God's people with bread and water on the road when they came out of Egyptian bondage; and (2) and they hired Balaam to curse the children of Israel.

III. Joshua 13:22: the children of Israel killed by the sword Balaam of Beor, the soothsayer before Moses gave to Reuben his inheritance in the land.

IV. Joshua 24:9,10: Balak the king of Moab arose to make war against Israel, calling for Balaam to curse them; but God would not let him, instead forcing Balaam to bless Israel by delivering them out of Balak's hand.

V. Nehemiah 13:2: On the day that the assembled people read from the book of Moses, they found it written that no Ammonite or Moab should ever enter the assembly of God because they had not meet the children of Israel with bread and water, and they hired {personal pay and gain for Balaam} Balaam to curse the children of Israel. God turned the curse into a blessing.

VI. Micah 6:5: God asks the people what has He done to you, and how has He wearied you, then among other things reminds them of some of their past history with Him whereby He "redeemed them from the house of bondage", also what king Balak counseled against them and what Balaam answered to the king.

VII. II Peter 2:15,16.

"They have forsaken the right way and gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Beor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness; but he was rebuked for his iniquity; a dumb donkey speaking with a man's voice restrained the madness of the prophet." (II Peter 2:15,16)

NOTE: Look at this assessment by the Apostle Peter of some in Christianity in the first century, "those who have forsaken the right way and gone astray"; and don't you think that after two thousand years, we don't have some or more?

VIII. Jude 11.

Doctrine of Balaam

“Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.” (Jude 11)

I X. Revelation 2:14.

“But I have a few things against you, because you have there those who hold THE DOCTRINE OF BALAAM, who taught Balak to put a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to commit sexual immorality.” (Revelation 2:14)

NOTE: The Apostle Peter had already mentioned the worst thing about the Balaam doctrine--Balaam loved the wages of unrighteousness--so John only added above to the false doctrine of Balaam.