

Br. Don Hardy to Former Members of the Local Church (Witness Lee)

The intense longing of Steve I's & my heart is that all those who've left the LCs & LSM be firmly established in The (Living, Now) Faith (Jude 3, The Person & work of the Triune God, & His Word & eternal purpose, etc.). I have been a Xn 74 yrs., & am "thrilled" to be in the center of God's will (Acts 13:22), seeing much fruit around the world, ALL due to the Glory of Our Father. Part of that has been produced because of 19 yrs. learning the Reality of Acts 13, in the so-called "Lord's Recovery", & becoming a so-called "co-worker" (& elder) with Witness Lee. (Early 1963 - before Elden Hall & Bill M. & James B. I later worked in Samuel C's home on the hymnal, with John I; and WL had me do "all" the 1st US printing of LSM pamphlets).

I shared with Steve what I feel, are 2 MAJOR things for **us who were quarantined, etc.**: 1) "don't throw the clean baby out with the (very) dirty bathwater"! (ie, the revelation(s) from God's Word, thru men like WL, WN, TAS, Darby, Lang, A. Murry, Tozer, etc.). After being "illegally" ousted from Rosemead in the '80s, God took me with Him to Brazil & Cuba: we witnessed much fruit & churches raised-up by the Holy Spirit - due to God's Mercy in keeping The Faith (... "the clean baby") - which we experienced of Him mainly through these men. (Including other saints of God). But a #2 **major** thing is extremely important: In my early 20s, Father had faithfully for-warned me of the frailty of all Christians when we give-in to (or are seduced by) our legally crucified old natural man - and do not heed the Spirit's faithful warning, or counsel of other Christians!

I formerly shared with Steve a stunning experience at The Navigator Headquarters training: (in my 20s): "Famous" (successful) Christian men came to speak. One was Bob Pierce (founder of World Vision). (Being a young Christian, I did not know the Biblical meaning of 2 witnesses). BP said, "There are 3 things which cause Christian leaders to **FALL**: 1) Wrong ambition leading to **pride**; 2) Wrong use of **\$\$monies**; & 3) Wrong use of **sex**." Soon afterward Bob Evans (of Greater Europe Missions) spoke. (There was NO contact between these men): "...There are 3 things causing Xns to FALL: 1) Pride; 2) Wrong use of \$monies; & 3) Improper use of sex!" (I never forgot this warning).

In 1963, when working on the hymnal, Samuel Chang took me walking (at break): "Br. Don I must share something serious for you to pray about with us. I believe WL "has a hole in his side", through which Satan could ATTACK: his FAMILY (WL had 6 children)! They have suffered much & WL wants to "...make it up to them."

Well sure enough: years later we were having wonderful fellowship at Elden (by now a very large group). At an elders meeting., WL said, "Bros. I have been praying much about how we are going to help those (\$money-wise) who migrate. I believe God may have given us a "plan": Daystar! With manufacturing in Taiwan - & oh by the way - TIMOTHY LEE will be the "manager" of all goings-on there.... But bros, we must be "very clear": "NONE" of this (raising of \$funds & \$loans) can be mixed with the "church" (affairs) (ie, we cannot announce this in any meetings, etc.)." YET, what a dirty MESS that came out... with 1 bro. dying because of it!! (Years earlier, my (future) mother-in-law did NOT want me to marry Sherry, so she contacted missionaries in Taiwan: and what she found out was AWFUL; but neither S. or anyone (of the Chinese saints) breathed-a-word of it to us (forewarning us)!!

Next fiasco (for me): Tim Lee's wife died on operating table delivering a baby girl. WL lamented to elders: "Who can take care of this newborn girl? None of my children can..." So I "volunteered" Sherry (who had our 1st born son of 5 mos.). Bottom line? S. cared for this baby in our home, for approx. 1 yr. And THIS "opened Pandora's Box" (all of WL's relatives came to visit, have "tea" & spill ALL the Lee family's dirty laundry... over tea)!! (Later S. shared, she doubted "Philip L. was even born-again").

I will try to cut this short: I found out (the hard way, personally seeing this myself): PL had "something" he was able to "hold over" WL's head, to get \$finances. (this is true: I saw it with my own eyes). So when WL put PL "in charge" of all LSM, PL "went crazy" with ways LSM could "make \$\$money off the saints - from PL's standpoint (...this is why all the gimmicks, shirts, decals & stuff). Also "standing orders" came out "(LSM materials "will be automatically sent to Lcs" - but the elders in Rosemead politely rejected....).

So, what the 2 speakers at Navigators Hq. shared, literally came true in WL's "camp" (LSM, etc). So up to today, I know very clearly, why there is the "demand" for saints to (publicly) ONLY read & share WL's materials, (WL made it clear to me privately in his home, when he called me to "lay hands on..." ("for the ministry...").

May I tell you a little history (...may not be so short): WL (for 19-21 yrs.) never "told" me I was "one of his co-workers"- it just "worked-out-that-way"). BUT before he died I believe he wanted to "CLEAR-UP issues". So, **AFTER** I had deceitfully (WL's words) been "booted out" & was going to a new (very fruitful) venture with Father in Brazil, WL met me while shopping in Orange Co. Calif, & asked me to his home.

There "everything" came out: #1 WL "apologized" for "those evil brothers" (of which PL was the leader with Minoru "2nd in command")..."for what those evil bros. did in their "unrighteous (evil) plot to oust you from Rosemead" (...PL using WL's name as the "authority" to do so, saying "I'm in very close contact with WL (in Taiwan) & he fully agrees...". WL clearly stated "this was all wrong...& I never had any part in it." (note: bear in mind: PL was WL's son, BUT WL did not call any of these "3 evilly plotting bros" to be in WL's home, to "repent" (or whatever) before me (not for me) - for what they governmentally did wrong.

Now Steve, Here's the "**biggie**": WL said, "Br. Don I want to **lay-hands on you** & bless you (? I don't remember. At least he said, "I want to pray 4 U, laying hands on U") re:" the "work of the Lord." I replied politely (...for I had seen demon activity by "laying-on of hands" in Brazil): "No need to lay hands on me. May we just pray?" So, WL's prayer was "AMAZING", for it revealed "**everything**" which HE BELIEVED (from God's Word) deep in his "guts"!!

Reason I tell U this? THIS is the main reason why "all the saints... & BBs" personally & publicly read ONLY WL's materials (I know this for a fact, because Father clearly revealed it to me). Steve it would take "2pgs" to share thoroughly the Scriptural "proof"; but here's the essence (heart) of it: WL believed he & WN had been given the "continuation" of the APOSTLES MINISTRY (of the NT). This is detected in WL's notes in Acts 1:17-20 & **especially** v.25 (there are other vv. but I won't cover them now - BTW: I did a thorough soaking in all these related portions of Scripture).

Personally Steve (after 75 yrs) I feel the 2 "biggest" matters in all of God's Word are a) Incarnation (I Tim.3:16; I Jn.4) & b) AUTHORITY ("Who's got the authority"?!). Mt.28 is clear re: the Lord's authority; but so is Paul's authority w Corinthians, etc. ("as in all the churches"). How did I see this clearly? WHEN WL prayed for me, he "covered all these bases" "Thanking Father that this brother has been faithful in Your NT ministry" etc.

So (my) conclusion? IF WL had called in "the ministering brothers" (Benson P., Ron K., etc.) and DID to them what he wanted to do to me (lay his hands on, to further impart the ministry & authority, etc.), then THIS is why (4 one reason) Ron Kangas curtly told the inquiring brother at LSM: "Why do "we" quarantine "so many" today? Brother Don't U Know: WE are GOD'S Authority on earth today!!" (ah ha: tail of the fox came out). AND - from WL's standpoint - THIS is why "ALL" the saints are to read ONLY his materials & quote them, etc. (...for **they** are believed to be a picking-up & continuation of the (real) NT ministry!!." (From PL's standpoint: "O Boy! Are we going to make lots of \$\$money from the saints buying...").

To conclude here, Any of you still "having problems" (with relatives, rejection, etc.): May y'all take God's Mercy & Grace to be in the Reality of Philipians 3 & Heb.12:1-2, etc., daily. Let God keep your heart pure.... br. Dh (6/8/2019)

(PSS: I have thoroughly "researched" WL's view from Scripture)
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