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The church will stand at the grave of Babylon. The truth will stand at the grave of deception. Jesus the Judge of heaven and earth is the ultimate arbiter of truth, justice, and righteousness and will stand at the graves of all those who presumed to be arbiters of reality. And I will stand with Him on that day not because I earned it or determined such but because I have bowed in shame and repentance with an acute understanding of my utter dependence and that I am not the arbiter of reality – only He is.

Just like any other generation, we have the choice to believe the Word of the LORD or the lies of the world. Either “Thus says the LORD” is true or it isn’t. If God’s Word says that adultery, sexual immorality, coveting, pride, false witness, and idolatry are evil; they are evil. Rev. 22:11, 18-19.

1. Jesus was clear that all are condemned under the Law and that’s why He came to be our redeeming sacrifice (Jn. 3:16-21).
2. Paul began his epistle *Romans* with a sobering argument that everyone is condemned by the perfect Law of God. Noteworthy that he used sexual immorality to highlight such sinful rebellion – mirrors today’s culture of religion of sex. In Rom. 3:19-20 and elsewhere, Scripture emphasizes that the Law can only condemn because it is righteous, and we are depraved evil wretches who desire to be our own self-arbiters judging for ourselves what is true, right, or wrong. This truth, however, is offensive – especially to a culture which prioritizes autonomy as a chief value. →
3. Nevertheless, the Word of God is clear on this vital matter. There is a war on the Word and it comes – not surprisingly – with a war on words. Words are being twisted, tortured, censored, and redefined. Why? Because confusion and chaos is of the evil enemy of the true and righteous Word. God is a God of order and clarity (1 Cor. 14:33). And the god of this world is a god of confusion, chaos, and deception (2 Cor. 4:4). He comes as an angel of light (2 Cor. 11:14) so as to deceive because, were he truthful, people would run from his temptations.
4. As mentioned, Paul started *Romans* with how we rebel against the Law but he also stated that we have run from our consciences. Read Ro. 1:21-32. We chose to believe the lies of the flesh, society, and the deceiver because we convince ourselves that what we are doing is merely following natural desires and so such can’t be wrong. Now we understand that the devil disguising himself as an angel of light is not literal but a metaphor for disguising evil for virtue. Here are some examples of how evil disguises itself as virtue with the evil stratagem of purposefully misusing words and confusing clear concepts:
 - a. Abortion is women’s rights.
 - b. Gender is not binary but emotionally determined, thus it is wrong for one to tell another who he or she is.
 - c. Practicing old antiquated religious practices is harmful to an enlightened generation.
 - d. You must hate people since you refuse to wear a mask.
 - e. You must be evil to say that transsexuals have gender dysphoria.
 - f. We must censor such religious nonsense because it offends a certain group of individuals.
 - g. Tolerance is now intolerance
 - h. “War is peace. Freedom is slavery. Ignorance is strength. Big Brother is watching you.” Orwell’s 1984.
 - i. Fact checkers = the Ministry of Truth which rewrites history and twists facts.
 - j. A “born again” believer who trusts the Word of God is an antiquated, snobby, bigoted, narrow-minded religious alt-right extreme, deplorable, fanatic.
5. You see Satan must lie to deceive because being truthful about the Word and words in general would be to clarify meaning and truth – which would properly inform. This is why we preach the truth – because lies are overcome with truth and evil overcome by the Word! Our power as Christians is in

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the Sword of the Spirit. It is the Spirit of God who wields the sword of truth to transform souls and condemn lies.

6. *Isaiah* 5:20 warns us of such practices of twisting truth by calling evil good and good evil. And here are a few words which have been redefined in order to do just that of which *Isaiah* wrote i.e. disguise evil as virtue:
 - a. Woke: is used to categorize those who rail against the racists and right wing government control. Actually, the ‘woke’ are those who have been kept asleep and indoctrinated by being kept from truth. And, ironically, the woke who supposedly speak out against the establishment (by their actions) advance the establishment’s tyranny!
 - b. Antifa: this is (in my opinion) the most obvious and blatant misuse of a term. It is used to describe a group of protestors who are against Fascism. Actually, it ironically describes a violent mob of ‘woke’ (mostly youth) who cling to Fascist ideology i.e. if you don’t talk like we talk, walk how we walk, and act as we act, you will be bullied if not beaten!
 - c. BLM: Black Lives Matter is supposedly a group which vies for equality and is anti-racist. Actually, it is a racist international organization funded by George Soros (as is Antifa) to incite racism and riots which have actually harmed ethnic relations and destroyed lives (literal death), businesses, reputations, and relationships. One of the founders of BLM was charged with prostitution and human trafficking – which is human sex slavery!
 - d. Deplorables: is used to describe supposed racist, bigoted, homophobes, xenophobes, and supremacists. It was used by Hilary Clinton to silence legitimate opposition such as those who peacefully protested to protect statues of American patriots. The tactic is to bunch God-fearing, freedom loving, gun toting, Constitution loving, Conservatives into a “basket” of haters. The very day Hilary coined the term I immediately said that I have never been more proud to be called deplorable.
 - e. Haters: is used to describe those who are prejudiced and filled with animus. Actually, it is used to silence and discredit those who have a different opinion. To disagree is not to hate but to label one a hater is more apropos for the term.
 - f. Irredeemables: Also used by Hilary in the same context as Deplorables to describe the same supposed prejudicial folk. However, to make judgments of condemnation such as calling people of conviction Irredeemables is indicative of placing oneself in said category for Jesus warned against such judgments as self-condemning and liable to hell (see *Matt.* 5:22; 7:1-2).
7. The deceitful war on words is a war against the Word! We should not shy away from words which have been hijacked and redefined and repurposed for selfish, hateful, indulgent, deceptive, and malicious purposes (cf. *2 Cor.* 11:14). For example, I am proud to be a discriminating person. I am not a racist and I actually hate ethnic discrimination but I must employ discrimination daily with regard to what I eat, expose myself to, what I permit my daughters to do, etc. If we don’t discriminate healthy food from junk food, wholesome media from filthy media, politicians from public servants and so forth, we are neglectful and will experience the fallout from neglect of employing discerning discrimination. This is true and even found in the Word e.g. **Prov. 29:2**.
8. Furthermore, intolerance is a biblical virtue as well as tolerance! The Law does not tolerate sin. The light does not tolerate darkness. The loving mother does not tolerate bad behavior of her children. Nor does she tolerate the abuse of her children. This, of course, does not mean that we do not employ tolerance when others disagree with our convictions and practices. Oh how I have had to

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practice much tolerance the last few years. However, we do not tolerate abortion, abduction, murder, and lies. To do so would be sinful and evil.

9. Truth will not tolerate lies. Literal multitudes of people have been destroyed by lies. Evil ideologies have terminated millions of citizens in Communist nations. When they are employed, ideas have consequences. Do you see how all of this is relevant and actually revolves around the spoken/written word? Do you see how evil forces have and are currently twisting and turning truths by distorting words? That is why it was wisely said, “I give you my word.” The devil is in the details of the contracts and thus our ‘word’ ought to be dependable, true, and earnest. It is also said that if a man does not have his word, he has nothing. You see a liar is evil. If one does not have the integrity of her word, she has nothing. Conversely, if one has integrity of her word, she has integrity, honor, dignity, and the trust of others. When one has his word, he need not swear by oath or such because he always speaks honestly (see Mat. 5:33-37). This is why it has been also wisely stated that if a man does not have his word, he has nothing. Or, if a man keeps his word, he has everything. A man without integrity cannot be trusted.
10. I think a case can be made that a liar is of the most despicable of sinners. Not that all liars are irredeemable but that such a practice directly defies the Word of truth. It was because of the serpent’s lie that sin entered the world (cf. **Jn. 8:44**). I believe that what God wants most from us is honesty. We cannot be perfectly obedient. We cannot earn salvation. We cannot make perfect sacrifices because even our best deeds and even our worship is tainted with sin. However, we can repent and pour out our confessions to Him (Ps. 51:1-3). We can earnestly ask God to reveal what is in our hearts (Ps. 139:23) and to empower us to employ the spiritual disciplines found in His transformative Word (Heb. 4:12) for the Word (Sword of the Spirit) has already read us. ***Did you hear what I said? We can repent and trust Christ! See **Jn. 6:28-29**.
11. God is completely in control and His will is being done albeit partially using evil to accomplish it. But this does not mean we contribute to it or sit idly by (Mic. 6:8). Be certain that you are on the right side of truth (Rev. 22:11).

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Part 2

Not only must we oppose idolatry of the State (Beast of the sea), but watch for the infiltration of false prophets (Beast of the land). “Progressive Christianity” has done away with sin, wrath, hell, and condemnation. And by eliminating such terms and concepts, it has eliminated the need for the Gospel. The Progressive Gospel is now a gospel of ‘social justice’ which seeks preferred outcomes rather than prescribed attitudes and motives. What are we saved from if it is not the perfect holy righteous wrath of God? Isaiah preached about how the evil call good evil and evil good (Isa. 5:20). We see the same today across the globe. Politicians, pundits, prophets, and the Progressive church have re-defined terms in order to excuse their behaviors and/or seize control of our liberty. This begins with the attack on truth and such an attack begins with an attack on words. Either they silence (“cancel”) our voices with censoring our words which convey deeply held convictions and concepts, or they re-define words so as to associate us with evil and themselves with virtue. We cannot control what others do but we can uphold the righteousness, truth, and Gospel of His Kingdom by firmly grasping the Word of the LORD. When the Word condemns sin, we must condemn sin. And if we fail to condemn sin and repent, how then can we be saved (cf. Jn. 9:39-41). We must not fear the Beast as we follow the Lamb. And we must contest the False Prophet as we preach repentance of sin. When we do such, we can celebrate a liberty of which neither the Beast, False Prophet, nor a demon can steal. This is the liberty which Jesus has acquired for us.

12. Either Jesus’ words are true or not! Jn. 5:39-40 affirms Jesus as the Word and He affirms the entire Old Testament. So either you accept the Bible or you don’t. One cannot disagree with the plain/main teaching of Scripture and be “in Christ,” for He is the living Word!
13. Therefore we must know our culture and the terms they use, and we must be courageous and honest when we correctly use words in their proper meaning and context. You know that there is a price for speaking truth and following Jesus (cf. Lu. 14:33) because many will persecute (Mat. 5:11-12). However, the price for lying and going with the flow of the depraved culture is eternally worse.
14. In Tara’s and my own families, there are members who are living together unmarried, or married homosexuals, and so on. But we don’t use reunions as a pulpit to command repentance. But the Body of Christ is another matter!
15. As previously noted, words have been deceptively re-employed to promote evil, even w/in the churches. How? E.g. reproductive equality, gender equality, marriage equality, BLM, & CRT, and so forth. Read Isa. 5:20. They call good evil and evil good by illegitimately re-employing words. Either we believe what Paul wrote about sexual sins, gender, ethnicity, and status or not. And stamping a virtuous sounding term on sin does not negate such. We, however, must stand against the current of evil (as Daniel did) and stand on the true meaning of words and the Word of God – which is clear and true about what is good, pure, righteous, and lovely (Phil. 4:8). This is how we spiritually combat such (Eph. 6:14; 2 Cor. 10:3-6). We can only do this if we know the Word of the LORD! →
16. In fact, Paul articulated the necessity of our “holding fast to the word of life” (read Phil. 2:15-16) in the midst of a perverse generation. Even though it is the perverse who accuse us of such, our actions will prove otherwise and put them to shame (read 1 Pet. 3:16 & Titus 2:7-8).
17. The truth is that we do not determine reality, our genders, what is good or evil, or what the actual definition of a word is. Instead, we are to live “by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD” (Deut. 8:3).
18. Isa. 55:11 is indicative of the Word’s dual purpose. It is clear that God wills that no one perish but all come to repentance (2 Pet. 3:9 cf. Ezek. 18:23) and thus warnings of judgment pervade Scripture.

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However, **refusal to repent ends in judgment because all have sinned against God** (read Jn. 3:18-19). Therefore, God’s Word both *condemns* sin and provides salvation from sin’s penalty. →

19. Will you be broken by the truth so that you will not be crushed by it (Mat. 21:42-44)? Will you confess your sins, repent, and be healed (Isa. 42:3)?
20. The Word is obviously associated with the tongue, lips, mouth, and speech. We saw how the Word of the LORD came to Jeremiah and “put His hand and touched [his] mouth.” Similarly, albeit in a vision, Isaiah had his lips touched with hot coals because he was a man of unclean lips. The Word of God is pure but the lips of man are defiled. The relationship between God and man is thus ruptured and so the Word became flesh but without sin. Jesus said that it is not what goes in the mouth which defiles but that which comes from it. And that which comes from the mouth proceeds from the heart (read Mat. 15:11-20). Likewise, the Word of God proceeds from the heart of God and is thus a manifestation of His glory. Therefore, Isaiah’s unclean lips were indicative of his unclean heart and he knew it!
21. Hell is for liars, thieves, and murderers and James wrote that the tongue sets “on fire the entire course of life and [is] set on fire by hell” (Jam. 3:6c). There again the tongue is associated with the innermost being revealing our wickedness. Matt. 5:21-22 Jesus warns of hell and not because of actual murder, but of a heart filled with malice which is manifested in (you guessed it) the tongue.
22. Hell can be avoided but no one is saved apart from the Word of God! The Word *reveals* the truth of our condition (esp. in the Sermon on the Mount). The Word also reveals the means of salvation through Christ’s person and work. And the Word is not only the *means* of salvation but its *end* i.e. eternal life! Therefore, the Word is the way, the truth and the life – the means (way), revelation (truth), and end (life). It’s no wonder Jesus, the eternal Word of God claimed to be the way, the truth, and the life (Jn. 14:6).
23. Most critics of Scripture and God complain that He is a bully. Richard Dawkins wrote, “[God is] a vindictive bloodthirsty ethnic cleanser, a misogynistic, homophobic racist, an infanticidal, genocidal, phillicidal, pestilential, megalomaniacal, sadomasochistic, capriciously malevolent bully.”
24. Nothing could be further from the truth. It is because of those very sins that Dawkins ascribes to God that God is a God of judgment, and thus the reason for which hell exists. Dawkins condemns the Word of God and sees a need for us to judge God. However, God, in Scripture, is judging those who are guilty of such sins. An honest reading of the Word will reveal just how sinful man is and just how merciful God is. If Dawkins can stand over and condemn those who commit such sins while he himself is a sinner, how much more should God who is not a sinner like Dawkins but rather holy, pure, and righteous?
25. Unfortunately, many today, like Dawkins, conveniently overlook their own hypocrisy while pretending to uphold morality. Many parents may acknowledge the sins committed *against* their children while ignoring the sins committed *by* their children. Either we conveniently choose to ignore such sins or are afraid of being “monsters” (like Dawkins’ god) and disciplining them for their sins. Because parents are afraid of becoming monsters, they end up creating monsters. We need moral boundaries if love and logic are to prevail!
26. Jer. 6:10, 16-17 (read) describes Israel as having forsaken the Word of the Lord. I share in the longsuffering of God and Jeremiah that many in the Church today have chosen to ‘listen’ not to the LORD but instead to their hearts, their emotions, desires, and general consensus. Jeremiah also affirmed the reason why we cannot go with such foolish impetus (Jer. 17:9). Everyone has a choice whether or not to listen to their hearts or the LORD. The first Adam, listened to the serpent instead of the Word of God and the last Adam obeyed the Word and will of the LORD rather than escape the

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torturous and shameful Cross. He was led by a righteous conviction rather than a selfish convenience.

27. 2 Lies which contradict logic and the Logos!
 - a. If you disagree or disapprove of one’s lifestyle, values, or convictions you hate him or her.
 - b. To love someone is to approve of their beliefs / practices.
28. These can easily be debunked using logic. If what they claim is true and they contradict you or even the Bible, according to their own rules they must hate both you and God?
29. Goodness, truth, and love seek to understand and not condemn and thus true tolerance should be practiced. Righteousness doesn’t need to sacrifice compassion, understanding, and patience.
30. The Word which condemns does not do so without warning. God’s Word is clear and true, while our flesh is fickle and foul.
31. God not only judges such heinous sins that Dawkins mentioned, He also judges the self-righteous hypocrisy of Dawkins. And rather than being the ‘bully’ of whom Dawkins mislabeled, He self-sacrificially died for our sins! He paid the full price of the penalty which we incurred.
32. Therefore, the Word of God itself is a mercy unto mankind as it warns sinners of a holy God. A righteous God must condemn sinners and we must condemn sin, including foremost our own. However, it also reveals how God graciously and sacrificially dealt with our sins by taking them on in His own person (2 Cor. 5:21). Thus the Bible is the Word of condemnation and Salvation. Dawkins futilely condemns God’s Word by failing to acknowledge that it condemns the sins Dawkins condemns – and commits – and it offers forgiveness of which Dawkins seems to have none.
33. Therefore, Dawkins’ inconsistency – and own words – will be weighed against him (Mat. 7:1-2; Ro. 2:1). Furthermore, Jesus himself claimed that His word will be the final arbiter (Jn. 12:48 cf. Jn. 5:22-47).

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PC for part 1: To condemn people is not our prerogative. To condemn political correctness is, for such is not being political but being biblical. Politics is the use of deceptive rhetoric in order to grab, maintain, and gain power and nothing more. It is not the prerogative of government to define good and evil. Although government, by nature, seeks to be the final arbiter of reality¹ – only the Word of God is such. This sermon is full of politically incorrect concepts because political correctness and what is known as “social justice” are anti-justice, anti-biblical, anti-righteous, anti-truth, and anti- Word of God. Nevertheless, we will be obedient to the Scriptures and demolish such political correctness with the logic and practice of God’s condemning Word (2 Cor. 10:3-6; Phil. 2:15-16; Titus 2:7-8; 1 Pet. 3:16). We must condemn the lies but only God can condemn souls.

Option 1 for PC 2

Warning 1: The Word of the LORD is offensive and condemnatory. Its censorship is being pursued across the globe and all those who cling to it are also targeted with an animus that spews slanderous lies, vicious threats, and seeks to cancel them once and for all. Reading the Word of the LORD with an admiration and faith will transform your life as the Spirit of Christ will use it to conform you to His image. Adhering to the Word will manifest one’s life in surprising selflessness, sacrifice, surrender, study, solitude, and service to others. Living out its produced conviction will make many uncomfortable, thus one will experience rupture in or even lose certain relationships. Warning 2: Not acknowledging or adhering to the Word of the LORD will result in condemnation (Jn. 3:18ff.). The Incarnate Word equated His words with ultimate truth. Therefore, eternal life or everlasting condemnation hinges on adherence to His words. For all truth, judgement, Writings, Prophets, redemption, and resurrection meet their earnest end in His person and work (cf. Jn. 5:22-47). There are warnings from the world and from God and it is up to you to fear one or the other. There is a price to pay for following the Word and an even greater one for not.

¹ Thus the purpose of the U. S. Constitution is to limit government, not give it power.