UNITY SECT EXPOSED

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PREFACE

REFERENCES USED IN THIS PUBLICATION

- American Standard Version (ASV or AV) is a version of the Bible that was released in 1901. It soon came to have other names, such as the American Revised Version, the American Standard Revision, the American Standard Revised Bible, and the American Standard Edition. By the time its copyright was renewed in 1929, it had come to be known by its present name, the American Standard Version.
- **Diaglott** is a two-language polyglot translation, of the New Testament by Benjamin Wilson, first published in 1864. It is an interlinear translation with the original Greek text and a word-for-word English translation in the left column, and a full English translation in the right column.
- **King James Version** (KJV) references are used throughout this publication unless otherwise noted.
- Revised Version (RV) (or English Revised Version) of the Bible is a late 19th-century British revision of the King James Version of 1611. It was the first and remains the only officially authorized and recognized revision of the King James Bible.
- Wuest: Kenneth Samuel Wuest (1893–1962) was a noted New Testament Greek (Κοινή) scholar of the mid-20th century...produced his own English translation of the New Testament (the Wuest Expanded Translation abbreviated WET) based on Nestle's critical text.

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The following letter expresses the condition of many honest people. Read it carefully and consider.

"Dear Friends in Christ. Someone gave me the October 1927 issue of the "Grace and Glory." I read it through, and was wonderfully impressed with Sister Bodie's "Definite Sign Posts of the End." If you will allow the expression, it took all the wind out of my sails. On page 33, you speak of the great Apostasy, saying that before our eyes are Spiritism, so-called Christian Science, Unity, etc., as its results. I have known for a long time that the first two are evil; but I thought that Unity was a near perfect as any organization could be. I am at present taking Weekly and Monthly Unity and Daily Word, and have read other unity literature. I joined the Goodwords Club Silent 70. I thought they were among the soundest in their teaching and seemed to explain the Bible.

"Lately, I have attended some Pentecostal meetings. A sister said to me, 'Before you can be baptized with the Holy Spirit, you will have to give up Unity; for they are not following the Bible.' I asked a minister about it, and he said that Unity is the slickest sect he knows of. Still I could not give it up until I read your *Sign Posts*.

"Now I want to be right. I am sure you are not prejudiced in what you say, and that you are so much farther advanced and capable of discerning the right from the wrong. Therefore, I would be pleased to receive Grace and Glory. It seems to have a more definite tone that Unity. Send anything that you think will be more convincing that Unity is not doing God's will. Oh, I will be so glad to get it. Surely 1 Timothy 4:1 fits in. Oh, but what a lot of deceived people. No wonder the Bible says that men will deceive the very elect if possible. Pray that God will help me to do all that is right." — W.S.S.

UNITY UNMASKED

"Do good as you have opportunity," saith the Lord. Our reasons for rejecting the so-called Unity doctrines are found in the Daily Word September 1927 issue. I have read it through carefully. It sounds very religious; for it speaks of Christ in us, of spiritual consciousness, the higher self, of being Divinely Prompted, led by Spirit, God in the very midst of your being, etc. Such phrases catch ignorant, but honest souls, because of the subtlety of their use. The little book, Daily Word, quotes a Scripture at the bottom of nearly every page; but not once does it give the interpretation of it, nor the correct application thereof. It does not explain the Bible; but uses certain portions to try to prove its theories.

Emphatically, Unity starts wrong. On page 5 (*Daily Word*), it asks the question which Pilate put to Jesus—"*What is truth*?" [Joh.18:38]. Unity doctrine makes the same mistake that Pilate made—it turns away from Him who "*is the way the truth and the life*" [Joh.14:6]. Instead, it turns and eulogizes the philosophers, mystics, sages, and seers of all ages as having the truth, and associates them with

Jesus Christ, God's Son. Unity begins with the assumption that man is unfallen, without sin, whole and perfect in God's sight, even as he was created. That contradicts Genesis 3. Note the following from Unity:

"Man is created in the image and after the likeness of God. He is not born of flesh, but of Spirit. In spiritual consciousness, he perceives his relationship to God. He beholds himself at one with the Father in peace, life, love, and strength. In the sight of God, man is whole and perfect. The divine image and likeness implanted in man in the beginning never has been changed. Man, perceived from the standpoint of spiritual consciousness, is like the Father. He is in all ways like God." *Daily Word* (pages 6, 10)

If these statements be true...

- There is no need of redemption. There are no stolen goods to be redeemed.
- There is no need of a Savior; for there are no sinners to be saved. There
 are none to lift up; for no one is down.
- And, if so-called Unity is correct, namely, that man is whole and perfect and like God, then there is no room for the Unity teaching or movement. If no one is sick, why call for Unity to heal? If everybody is right, why try to improve them? If everybody is thinking like God, why so much fuss and exhortation to think differently, as found in the *Daily Word*?

The writer has never been in the Unity establishment; but he is wondering if they do not lock their doors and drawers, and if they do not keep their moneys, like other citizens, in steel safes. Is everybody is so honest that Unity trusts all men without requiring notes for funds loaned, or deeds for properties bought? If there are not some thieves and robbers around, why all these precautions? And "what means this bleating of the sheep" [1Sa.15:14]. Ah, there is a devil in the woodpile.

Ignorant souls may not discover the cloven foot in the above quotations from *Daily Word*.

- 1. The very 1st sentence is false. It says, "Man is created" in God's image, that is, man is unfallen. The Bible declares that "God did create man in His own image" [Gen.1:27]. That was done once.
- 2. The 2nd sentence is also a double falsehood. It says, "He is not born of flesh," which is contrary to daily facts, but "is born of spirit," which contradicts God's Word. No one can be born of God's Holy Spirit except upon the basis of redemption wrought through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- 3. The 3rd statement is true with those who are saved from sin through faith in the sinner's Savior. But there is no spiritual consciousness to one who is "dead in trespasses and sins." Unity would make God the Father of all the offspring of Adam; but He is the Father of them that believe on His Son, and of no others (see Joh.8:42 or 1Jo.5:1). Jesus said to the Jews

who rejected Him, "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do?" [Joh.8:44]. Hence, only they who are Scripturally born again, born of the Spirit, can have God's peace, life, love, and strength. Others may claim and seem to have them; but they are counterfeits.

4. The other 4 statements quoted above are absolutely false, being contrary to the whole tenor of Scripture and the facts before our eyes. Man is not "perfect and whole in God's sight." He is not in any sense like God. "There is none righteous, no not one ... All have sinned" [Rom3:10, 23]. Adam forfeited his sinless image by partaking of the forbidden fruit. He disobeyed God and tried to cover his nakedness before Him with an apron made by his own hands. Afterward, Eve bore a son, called Cain. But that son was born, not in the sinless image of God, but in the dark, fearful, sinful likeness of his fallen parents. He murdered his brother. "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned' [Rom.5:12]. That one man was Adam and that death is a daily occurrence today. Through Adam's sin, death was passed upon all men. Therefore, Jesus said "That which is born of the flesh is flesh" [Joh.3:6]. Now, what did Jehovah find about Adam 1.500 years later? "And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth." and that every imagination and purpose and desire of the thoughts of his heart were only evil continually" [Gen.6:5 margin]. Was he perfect and whole and like God, as Unity declares? No; he was like the devil who ruined him. All men are "dead in trespasses and sins" [Eph.2:1, 5; Col.2:13]. Many of them have become the "sons of disobedience" in whom Satan now works [Eph.2:2]. And Unity, by denying sin and the need of atonement, puts its victims in that very same class. And it robs men of God's salvation.

What did God find 4,000 years after Adam was created in His image and fell from that image? The Bible declares him to be

"...vain, foolish, darkened, corruptible, unclean, vile, unnatural, reprobate, filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness, full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity, whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful, who knowing the judgment of God that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only to the same, but have pleasure in them that do them." [Rom.1:21-32]

That is the Divine Photograph of mankind for 4,000 years. Does that picture look like wholeness and perfection? Is that crowd "in all ways like God," as Unity teaches? Which shall we believe, the inspired Word of the Holy Jehovah or the doctrines of demons?

What is the testimony of the past 1,900 years of facts? Let the hospitals, jails, penitentiaries, municipal brawls, national feuds, and international upheavals answer. Let religious movements and works of reformation answer. Let Christian (?) Science, Spiritism, and Unity (?) be honest and answer. All are compelled to admit—No CHANGE, except for the worse, even as it is written—"Evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived" (like Unity) [2Ti.3:13]. If all men are perfect and whole and in all ways like God, why the daily arrests of auto road-hogs and bank thieves? Why the motorcycle and blue-coat police in such numbers? Why is everybody afraid of everybody else,

so that nobody dare trust anybody, but everybody treats the other fellow as if he were a rascal?

Why does Unity say: "We can reform others best by letting them take a lesson from the way we have worked out reform in our life" (*Daily Word*, page 18). Why talk of reform if all are perfect and like God?

Beloved Reader, do you see that Unity only teaches reformation of the old man? It does not teach transformation by Divine Power, or salvation through faith in the blood of Christ. Like Christian Science, it denies the meritorious, substitutionary death of the Son of Man.

Unity induces independence of God, which is the spirit of the devil. It teaches its pupils to help themselves; hence, they do not need Divine Help. The duty of its teacher is "to make a pupil self-reliant, dependent upon himself alone," and find "wisdom within himself" (*Daily Word*, page 14). That is the place to which Satan is trying to bring the whole world—dependent upon self, independent of God, and finally deifying self and dethroning God. Such is the ultimatum of Unity. Its subtlety, as also its real doctrine, is seen in such sayings as...

"Being the son of God, man is heir to God's strength. He is like his heavenly Father in all things. The strength of man's mind and body is but the expressed strength of God." (*Daily Word*, page 15)

No, it is not. Unity's supposed life and strength, are an imitation, a farce, because without a death and resurrection there can be no spiritual life. That is satanic, because it assumes that unsaved men are God's sons. The logic of it is that man thus becomes **Omnipotence** in himself.

UNITY AND METAPHYSICS

Unity is a revival of the theory of Aristotle, a Greek philosopher who lived 200 years before Christ. His mental philosophy was termed,

"Metaphysics, which, in whatever latitude the term be taken, is a science, or complement of sciences, exclusively occupied with the mind."

So wrote William Hamilton. Unity calls its devotee, "The metaphysical healer," "the metaphysician", and "the trained metaphysician" (*Daily Word*, pages 10, 29, 34). Therefore, Unity is of heathen origin. It is not a salvation; it is a philosophy, a science, even "*science falsely so called*" [1Ti.6:20]. Hence, it gives emphasis to philosophers, mystics, sages, and seers of all ages (*Daily Word*, page 5). Unity deals solely with the mind. All its pretended or supposed religiousness is in the mind, or thoughts. The words think, thoughts, or thinking occur over 50 times in the little pamphlet of 44 pages. They occur 12 times on 1 page. Here are several sample sayings:

 "Think of the body as perfect and spiritual; have spiritual thoughts; think Godward." How can a sinner, "dead in trespasses and sins" and under Divine Condemnation, ever do that? The devil can make him "think" thus, but thinking does not create reality.

 Here is another: "We can make over our world by thinking new thoughts, not limited thoughts, nor narrow thoughts." All depends upon one's thinking, according to Unity.

But Jesus said, "According to your faith," that is, faith in God, "be it done unto you" [Mat.9:29]. Faith looks to another. Thinking looks to self. If this process of thinking were practical, men could think God into themselves, which is exactly what Unity claims to do. That is, men think themselves into being God, each one a god in himself, independent of the one living and true God. Thus, they would think our God out of the universe, exactly what Satan is trying to accomplish through duped mankind.

DEADLY POISON

Note several other devilish statements. The following is blasphemous and strikes at the deity of the Son of God.

 Unity says, "Through the Christ in him, Jesus was able to do mighty works. Jesus ascended in the Christ consciousness in which he contacted the power of the divine." (*Daily Word*, page 24)

How terrible! The Christ was not in Jesus; but Jesus was anointed with The Spirit; hence, he is called "Jesus Christ or the Christ," the Anointed One. Jesus ascended into heaven, but not into any Christ consciousness. He did not simply contact the Divine; but He was Divine. He was Deity, being the "only begotten Son of God." "In the beginning "was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God" [Joh.1:1-2, 18].

• Unity says, "To the metaphysician, today is the only time," and calls it, "the eternal now."

That is, there is no future state, nor place. And yet, it dares to speak of "the heaven of the mind, heaven in our midst." It teaches that "heaven is not a matter of the future, or a place geographically charted. Heaven is a state of mind, solely for the purpose of helping to establish it on earth. Through knowing the truth, we enter the heavenly kingdom (which is all in the mind), where we abide eternally with God." Then the fool, who believes such vagaries, says, "The kingdom of God is now established on earth and I abide in heavenly blessedness." But remember that Unity's only heaven, or heavenly, is in the mind. It is utterly without reality. The real heavenly Father "hath delivered us from the power of darkness and hath translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son" [Col.1:12-13].

The following words show how unreal the whole theory is.

 "If one disciplines his mentality so that he closes it to all inharmonious thought, he assures himself of mental peace. God is with us when we think," etc. But the Bible declares that faith in Jesus brings us peace and purity of heart as well as peace of mind. God is with us when we believe His Word, not when we think nice thoughts. Unity exhorts people to "learn to discipline thought and to think only such thoughts as are peace-producing. Learn to think heavenward, God-ward." What will be the result? Peter tells us, "a sow washed from her wallowing and a dog which has unloaded his stomach" [2Pe.2:22]. God's people are called sheep.. Jesus said, "I know my sheep and a stranger will they not follow" [Joh.10: 5, 27]. Furthermore, if heaven is only in the mind, then Unity's god is only in the mind. There is no heaven and there is no god, but self-sufficient, self-trained, omnipotent Self. Our God, whose throne is in the real heaven above us, is dethroned by the self-trained metaphysician, whose god is Self. Unity's "hills of the Spirit" (Daily Word, page 40) are mental high places, where Satan reigns supreme. God abominates idolatrous high places [2Ki.17:9-12].

BLASPHEMY OF SPIRITISM

Observe the following falsehoods, the voice of Spiritism.

"To assert that God inspired the writers of the Bible to make known His divine will, is a gross outrage on the public, and misleading. Jesus Christ was not Divine. He is now an advanced spirit in the 6th sphere. He never claimed to be God manifest in the flesh, and does not now. He was a medium, or mediator. There is no atoning value in the death of Jesus Christ. Man becomes his own savior. Hell does not exist and never will."

BLASPHEMY OF CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Note several quotations from "Science and Health":

"The real Christ was unconscious of matter, or sin, disease and death, and was conscious only of good, of eternal life and harmony. Jesus' true and conscious being never left heaven for earth. It abode forever above. All sin is insanity in different degrees. To get rid of sin through Science, is to divest sin of any supposed mind, or reality, or think it away. Matter, or body, is but a false concept of mortal mind."

These words surely prove the writer to be insane. Christian Science, so-called, is neither Christian, or scientific. All occult religions are senseless conglomerations of self-contradictions and lies of the devil. Our only hope is faith in the once-crucified and risen Christ.

What must we conclude? With a sense of disgust and recoil, we must conclude that Unity doctrines are devilish. Unity makes the Bible a book of falsehoods. It makes God out a liar, His Son a fraudulent imposter, and the Holy Spirit a vague, mystical, indulgent, unexplainable influence, which pronounces everything good. The self-effort of Cain, who murdered his only brother, is Unity's tap-root. The mystics and sages of heathen philosophy are its old friends. Spiritism, its dark grandmother, and Christian Science (?) its mother, are its bosom companions—a subtle trinity of powerful evil against the triune God. Satan is the author and abettor of all three.

The world's adage, as a summing up of the actual nature of these cults, fits in here fine—"Every Fellow for HIMSELF AND THE DEVIL FOR US ALL." Satan is using them, as well as other false religions, to prepare the world for the Antichrist.

THE LIGHT OF LIFE

Dear Reader, let us take a bath in our heavenly Father's laver,

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. The Father loveth the Son and hath given all things into His hand. He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life; and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him." [Joh.3:16, 35-36]

"This then is the message, which we have heard of Him and declare unto you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not the truth; but if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another and the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sins." [2Jo.1:5, 7]

All this is because, "Now in Christ Jesus (we) who sometime were far off, are made nigh by the blood of Christ" [Eph.2:13].

