

Calvinism's Catch Phrases

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Catch phrases are parts of speech or writ that are contagious to a certain group or doctrine. When certain people espouse false doctrines in their heart it comes out their mouth with these obvious catch phrases. So we are going to deal with some of Calvinism's Catch Phrases.

I saw this ad someone gave me in the paper that has many of these catch phrases in it and it will serve as an example for this study.

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The first and most obvious catch phrase used is on word: "...sovereignly..." the word "sovereign" is used to depict a self-gratifying tolerance for the kingship of God without any basis in the Bible. It actually replaces the attribute "almighty" however in the NIV the use of this word usually replaces the word "God". This word is a catch phrase word and here it is used in another catch phrase: "those who are sovereignly choses" These ultra-separatists believe they are the elite elected by God prior to the creation of the world. However, the Bible NEVER says anything like this unless you are using a corrupted version of the Bible like the NIV. Notice also the appeal to feelings: "...who feel they belong..." and not directing anyone to what

God says about this. They have included a few references and the first one 2 Timothy 2:19-21 however I am going to post the context 2 Timothy 2:15-26, "**Study** to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, **rightly dividing the word of truth**. But **shun profane and vain babblings**: for they will increase unto more ungodliness. And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus; Who **concerning the truth have erred**, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some. Nevertheless **the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his**. And, **Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity**. But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour. If a man therefore **purge himself from these, he shall be a**

vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work. Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes. And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.”

There are some serious issues with this passage and the Calvinist view of this passage. First of all they only gave reference for 2 Timothy 2:19-21, “Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity. But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour. If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.” Which is incomplete as it starts with a conjunctive word “Nevertheless” from the previous verses. They didn’t want you to read that in conjunction with this because it is not Calvinistic. The same can be said of where they have ended as what follows is not Calvinistic either. This idea of cropping verses out that are unclear without their context is how the cults promote their deceptive doctrines of devils. What you are to suppose from that excerpt is that first the Lord knows who are his in conjunction to the elect that they said in the advertisement. Privately interpreting the passage; and if you name the name of Christ you will be a separatist but the passage did not say this. It said depart from iniquity and then gave you the iniquity in the context to depart from: it is YOUR OWN iniquity. Not the iniquity of others. But if you do separate yourself from THEM instead of THESE then he will be a vessel unto honour like gold and silver instead of wood or earth. This is NOT what the passage said at all.

Notice that the notice said “Tracing their genealogy...” that sounds like Mormonism. They then end with “There are many sects but only one true assembly...” giving 1 Corinthians 12:13 as their reference for that above statement. “For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.” Where in this passage did it say: “...many sects but only one true assembly...”? You do know that it did NOT say that?

The context is eye-opening:

1 Corinthians 12:12-20, “For as the **body is one**, and hath **many members**, and all the members of that one body, **being many, are one body: so also is Christ**. For by **one Spirit are we all baptized into one body**, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit. For **the body is not one member, but many**. If **the foot** shall say, Because I am not **the hand**, I am not of **the body**; is it therefore not of **the body**? And if **the ear** shall say, Because I am not **the eye**, I am not of **the body**; is it therefore not of **the body**? If **the whole body** were an **eye**, where were **the hearing**? If **the whole were hearing**, where were **the smelling**? But now hath **God set the members every one of them in the body**, as it hath pleased him. And **if they were all one member, where were the body? But now are they many members, yet but one body.**” This is not talking about a local assembly at all. It is not talking about sectarianism or the local church. You are not baptized by one Spirit into the local assembly. There are many local assemblies which are the local churches. You do know that LOST people can come to the local church and assembly with the saved there? Some people don’t think!

Local assemblies and sectarianism are the same thing yet this is NOT a passage about either. It is about spiritual baptism into the body of Christ.

This is the error of the Ultra-Dispensationalist who cannot tell what the body of Christ is and chop up the body of Christ into dispensations. This is not Dispensationalism it is Ultra-Dispensationalism or Hyper-Dispensationalism; both run in the same direction.

From these things we can see that this is a Calvinistic Mormonistic Ultra-Hyper-Dispensationalism Bible Perverting Cult. That uses catch phrases to deceive people about what the Bible SAYS.

2 Timothy 3:1-7, “This know also, that **in the last days perilous times shall come**. For **men shall be lovers of their own selves**, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, **false accusers**, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, **Traitors, heady, highminded**, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; **Having a form of godliness**,

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but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, **Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.**”



Matthew 7:15-20, “**Beware of false prophets**, which come to you **in sheep's clothing**, but **inwardly they are ravening wolves**. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. **Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.**”

Colossians 2:6-15, “**As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him**: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. **Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him**, which is the head of all principality and power: In whom also ye are circumcised with **the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.** And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, **having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us**, which was contrary to us, and **took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross**; And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.”

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