

The Holy Spirit Ignites the Tent in Phoenix

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After two amazing nights in Phoenix there was great expectation in the air as we arrived for night three. Walking in, and hearing Catherine Mullens and the people worshiping in unity was incredible. The entire altar area of the tent was full of people glorifying the name of Jesus!

Mario began the night by telling the people, "If you are sick in your body, depressed in your spirit, or broken, you could not have picked a better night to be here. Walking into the tent is the best thing you've ever done in your life."

He then said, "If you are an atheist, a witch, or a false religious guru, and you are here hoping to pick up a few pointers, you could not have picked a worse night to come. Because the power of Jesus Christ is in this house!"

Mario said that we have looked upon the landscape of modern life with great bewilderment and consternation, and we are now seeing things we never believed we would see.

He said we have another problem: foolishness in the American pulpit. We never thought we'd see things being done in church, that are being done now.

And we wonder how it got so foolish? The tricks and gimmicks, the sermons that deliberately say the Bible is not the Word of God. That there are alternative genders. That the things God has declared to be an abomination in His sight are no longer sin. And that God has changed his mind.

Mario declared, "Late breaking news – God has *not* changed his mind!"

He asked, what is this thing that has happened? Just as there are foods that are GMO, manmade foods, we have created a generation of manmade Christians. When we go to the store we want non-genetically altered food, but what is in the pulpit is exactly that, manmade.

He told the people they may not be a born again Christian, but rather, they may be a manmade Christian. That they may have been talked into it, but they never had the lightning strike of repenting, being born again, and turning to Christ.

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It is the believer, washed in the blood, who has power over the Devil. All of the others are still unsaved.

“But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come,” (2 Tim. 3:1, NKJV).

The environmentalist, sociologist and the college professor all believe we are in perilous times; but where we part company is when the Word of God goes one way and the ‘human potential’ movement goes the other way. That divide is what causes the peril.

The problem is not global warming, but moral cooling.

It is the condition of man’s heart that makes the world dangerous, and that makes death by abortion the fifth leading cause of death in the United States.

It’s not what nature, or sugar, or Oprah is doing; it is what man in his heart has become. And Satan does not want you to know the true condition of your heart. He wants you to talk yourself out of true self-examination.

Mario said, “We used to go to church, not to feel good, but to become good. Tonight is about becoming good.”

When Paul was defining what traits would constitute the worst wickedness in the last days, the most egregious condition he listed was, "having a form of godliness but denying its power. From such people turn away!" (2 Tim. 3:5 NKJV).

Paul said these are the people that are "always learning, but never able to come to the knowledge of truth," (2 Tim. 3:7, NKJV).

Mario told about when the polio vaccine was rolled out, that it was carefully explained to the American public how it had been developed. They didn't hide the data and there were no additives. It was a vaccine that was provided for the American public without deception or coercion.

It was listed as exactly what it was, a polio vaccine. It fooled the body into creating antibodies, so that if the real polio virus came along, you would be immune.

The downside to the story is contained in the word 'immunity.' What Satan has done is he has tempted pastors into building entire churches on human marketing, in order to create a breed of Christian that has a form of the Christian faith, without the active ingredient. So that if revival ever did show up they would be immune and not receive it.

These manmade Christians are ever learning, ever reading, ever going to church, using the lingo, talking it up. But they are not giving up sleeping around. They are not giving up their drugs, their dope, their alcohol, or their philosophy. Never having a conscience or a conviction, because they are manmade Christians.

Then Mario asked the crowd, "How many want to be a Christ-made Christian?"

He said, "The last thing you ever want have happen is to stop feeling the Holy Ghost when He moves on you. To not cry when you ought to cry. To not break when you ought to break."

Mario said when two opposing views exist together in a believer, it is always the opposite of Christ that wins. When you try to serve God and mammon, mammon wins. When you try to hold on to a leftist agenda that is not of God, the agenda wins.

The prolonged exposure to spiritual schizophrenia brings you into detached, dissociative delusion. And God will judge you.

Mario said, "God is turning up the heat in the United States of America, and you either have to get in or get out. Because He's not playing games with church anymore."

He asked, "Are you trying to get as close to God as possible? Or as close to the world as is allowable?" And you don't have far to go to find pastors who focus on the allowable. The preachers who are telling you all you can keep and still know God, are pushing you over a cliff.

And when you are in a crisis you turn to friends, specialists, and human counselors, but you don't break down and just pray. The distance between when you encounter a disaster in your life and the amount of time that passes before you turn to the Lord and pray, is the gauge of how far you are from God!

When you are in a crisis, is it not time to read a book or google how to get out of it. It is time to get on your face! Bring the Holy Spirit in now!

When you hear a minister say, "We won't say something from the pulpit because it might offend someone, he just 'made' you. You are manmade. Instead he should say, 'What I'm about to say may offend some of you, but if I really love you, and I know it's the truth...how could I be your pastor, and keep it from you?'

Mario said, "God possesses a special condemnation for any minister who has ever created a manmade convert.

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“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you travel land and sea to win one proselyte, and when he is won, you make him twice as much a son of hell as yourselves,” (Matt. 23:15, NKJV).

“Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not yourselves know that Jesus Christ is in you?” (2 Cor. 13:5, NKJV).

Mario asked, “How much more power would our churches have if they did not create manmade believers? What I call ‘high maintenance, low impact church members.’”

The manmade Christian couldn’t have it worse, because they have all of the rules and none of the power. All of the guilt, and none of the joy. You have all of the obligation, all of the doubt, and the weight of your old life, and a label that says, “I was rescued,” when you weren’t.

Mario began to speak to pastors and he urged them to stop fearing money. And to remember when they first told God, ‘Whatever it costs, I will preach the truth.’ And he asked, “What happened to you? What have you become? Let’s come back to Jesus.”

Then he said to all the people, “Let’s all come back to Jesus!” and the people cheered!

Mario then told the audience that the seal of a true conversion is the Holy Spirit. The promise, the down payment, on eternal life in Heaven. Adding, “If you don’t have the Holy Spirit, nothing else matters.”

Mario asked, “Why did the Pentecostal denomination stop praying with people to be baptized in the Holy Spirit? We need

the fire of God to fall on us again. We need another outpouring of the Holy Spirit! You need to be baptized in the Holy Spirit!"

Mario then taught briefly on the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and then invited everyone who would like to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit to stand, and had them come down to the front where our workers were waiting. He told them that if they wanted Jesus, they are going to get saved and filled with the Spirit, at the same time.

The altar was flooded! I have not seen such a huge crowd, as people hurried down to the front to receive Jesus, and His Spirit began to fall on them all. It looked like most of the tent had come forward.

The workers began praying with people and quickly people across the crowd began to pray in the language of the Holy Spirit.

It was an incredible sight to behold as the fire of God fell upon all the people in such a mighty way!

What a powerful night! And what a powerful message from Mario! As he pointed out, this message needs to be heard all over this nation! Spread the word!

The anointed presence of the Holy Spirit was so evident in the tent tonight that I can't wait to see what He has in store for us on the final night, the night of miracles!

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