

## Questionable Quotes:

While the goal of this article is to point out actual quotes from various teachers, it is by no means intended to 'throw the baby out with the bathwater'. If these ministers have changed their thoughts/teachings then hopefully it will surface somewhere else.

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### E.W. Kenyon:

*"When this happened, spiritual death, the nature of Satan, took possession of His Spirit.... He was to partake of Spiritual Death, the nature of the Adversary.... Jesus knew that the moment had come, and He was to be made Sin. He must partake of that dread nature of the Adversary. His body would become mortal. Satan would become His master.... He [Jesus] had been lifted up as a serpent. Serpent is Satan. Jesus knew He was going to be lifted up, united with the Adversary."*

*—from "What Happened from the Cross to the Throne" Kenyon's Gospel Publishing Society, 1969, 20, 33, 44-45)*

*"We have sung 'Nearer the cross' and we have prayed that we might be 'Nearer the cross' but the cross has no salvation in it. It is a place of failure and defeat"*

*-Advanced Bible Course, p.279*

*"Since sin and sickness are purely spiritual, mere physical death could never atone, nor could it deal with the source of sin and sickness: Satan."*

*- from E.W. Kenyon, Jesus the Healer, p. 17.*

### Fred Price:

*"Do you think that the punishment for our sin was to die on a cross? If that were the case, the two thieves could have paid your price. No, the punishment was to go into hell and to serve time in hell separated from God....Satan and all the demons of hell thought that they had Him bound and they threw a net over Jesus and they dragged Him down to the very pit of hell itself to serve our sentence."*

*- from F.K.C. Price, Ever Increasing Faith Messenger, Newsletter Crenshaw Christian Centre, Inglewood, CA. June 1980, p.7.*

### Charles Capp's

*"If there's any part of hell Jesus did not suffer, you'll have to suffer it. But, thank God, Jesus suffered it all, for you! In the place of the wicked dead, all the demons of hell and Satan rejoiced over the prize. The corridors of hell were filled with joy. 'We've done it! We've captured the Son of God! We'll no longer be in the pit of the damned! The earth and all that is therein is ours! Forever it will be ours!' Rejoicing in hell had never been so great as it was that day. But it was short-lived."*

*- from Authority in Three Worlds, 143 )*

*"Jesus was born again in the pit of hell. He was the firstborn, the first begotten, from the dead. He started the Church of the firstborn in the gates of hell... He went down to the gates and started His Church there.... The Church started when Jesus was born again in the gates of hell."*

*- from C.Capps, Authority in Three Worlds, op. cit. p.212-213)*

### **Kenneth Hagin:**

*"The death of Jesus Christ was not a physical death alone. If it had been a physical death, Abel would have paid the price for mankind. He was the first man that died because of honoring God and His Word. If it had been a physical death only, it wouldn't have worked! And if He hadn't died spiritually, that body never would have died."*

*-from "What Happened From the Cross to the Throne", Tape #00-0303*

(Only problem with the above reasoning is Abel was murdered by his brother - it was not a willing sacrificial death. Jesus, although murdered by his brethren, went willingly.)

*"He (Jesus) tasted spiritual death for every man. And his spirit and inner man went to hell in my place. Can't you see that? PHYSICAL DEATH WOULDN'T REMOVE YOUR SINS. He tasted death for every man. He's talking about spiritual death."*

*-from "How Jesus obtained his name" #44HO1 [side 1]*

*"Why did He (Jesus) need to be begotten, or born? Because He became like we were: separated from God. Because He tasted spiritual death for every man....Jesus was the first person that was ever born again."*

*- from K. Hagin, How Jesus Obtained His Name, Tulsa: Rhema, audiotape #44HO1*

### **Kenneth Copeland:**

*"When His blood poured out it did not atone."*

*-From a personal letter to D.R.McConnell, dated 12/3/79. Cited in A Different Gospel, p.120)*

*"Because his physical death was not enough for the payment of sins there was a another way for sins payment. Jesus put Himself into the hands of Satan when He went to that cross, and took that same nature that Adam did [when he sinned]."*

*- from "The Incarnation" (Kenneth Copeland Ministries, 1985, audiotape #01-0402) side 1.*

*Jesus had to "accept the sin nature of Satan." AND "It was a sign of Satan that was hanging on the cross....I accepted, in my own spirit, spiritual death; and the light was turned off."*

*- from Kenneth Copeland, "What Happened from the Cross to the Throne", side 2.*

*"It wasn't a physical death on the cross that paid the price for sin...anybody can do that."*

*- What Satan Saw on the Day of Pentecos., audiotape #BCC-19), side 1.*

*"Satan conquered Jesus on the Cross and took His spirit to the dark regions of hell"*

*- Kenneth Copeland Reference Edition 1991 p.129.*

*"The day I realized that a born-again man had defeated Satan, hell, and death, I got so excited..!" - from September, 1991, Believer's Voice of Victory*

*"God rose up from His throne and said to demon powers tormenting the sinless Son of God, 'Let Him go.' Then the resurrection power of Almighty God went through hell and filled Jesus... He was resurrected from the dead - the first born-again man"*

*- The Most Important Decision You Will Ever Make, pg. 36, 1991 booklet*

*"I can't understand Christians that refuse to believe that Jesus went to hell. I want to tell you something if he didn't go, you're going to have to." (The Christian Channel Europe*

*- from "Believer's Voice of Victory" May 1998*

*"The Spirit of God spoke to me, and He said "Son, realize this" Now follow me in this, don't let your tradition trip you up. He said "Think this way. A twice-born man whipped Satan in his own domain." And I threw my Bible...I said "What?" He said "A born-again man defeated Satan - the first-born of many brethren defeated him." He said "You are the very image, and the very copy of that one." I said "Goodness Gracious, saints alive." I began to see what had gone on in there, and I said "Well you don't mean - You couldn't dare mean that I could have done the same thing?" He said "Oh yeah. If you'd had the knowledge of the Word of God that He did you could've done the same thing cause you're a re-born man too."*

*- Kenneth Copeland, "Substitution and Identification" 1989, audio tape #00-0202, side 2*

### **Creflo Dollar:**

*"He's got to look like a sinner. Or they're not going to receive Him into hell, you've got to be a sinner. He's got to somehow look like that serpent on that stick in Moses' day. He's got to look like a serpent in order to be taken in. And Jesus who had never sinned, made an exchange with His covenant partner. He says "Let Me wear your coat of sin. It'll make Me look like a sinner. I've never sinned, but if I can put your coat of sin on, when I get back I'm going to give you my coat of righteousness. So The bible says that He who had not sinned was made sin.*

*- from "Our Equality with God Through Righteousness" 1/21/2001*

*"So now Jesus entered in legally into hell. But He was there illegally. Because once you get to hell there's got to be some record of your sin. Now He had to stay there 3 days and 3 nights. You better hope He went to hell because if He didn't go you and I would have to. You better hope He became every sickness, disease and depression and every piece of mess in the world because whatever He didn't become you and I would have to become "*

*- from Our Equality with God Through Righteousness 1/21/2001).*

### **Benny Hinn:**

*"Ladies and gentlemen, the serpent is a symbol of Satan. Jesus Christ knew the only way He would stop Satan is by becoming one in nature with him. You say, 'What did you say? What blasphemy is this?' No, you hear this! He did not take my sin; He became my sin. Sin is the nature of hell. Sin is what made Satan...It was sin that made Satan. Jesus said, 'I'll be sin! I'll go to the lowest place! I'll go to the origin of it! I won't just take part in it, I'll be the totality of it!'"*

*-from Benny Hinn program on TBN, 12/15/90*

*"Had He (Jesus) not offered Himself through the Holy Ghost, He would not be accepted in the eyes of God the Father. Nor would He have endured the sufferings of the cross. Had He not presented Himself through the Holy Ghost, His blood would not have remained pure and spotless. And let me add this: Had the Holy Spirit not been with Jesus, He would have sinned."*

*- from "Good Morning Holy Spirit" (Word, 1991) p.135*

### **Joyce Meyers:**

*"During that time He entered hell, where you and I deserved to go because of our sin. He paid the price there. ...no plan was too extreme. ..."*

*- from "The most important decision you will ever make" p. 35, J. Meyers*

*"There is no hope of anyone going to heaven unless they believe this truth I am presenting. You cannot go to heaven unless you believe with all your heart that Jesus took your place in hell"*

*- from her 1991 booklet, The Most Important Decision You Will Ever Make.*

## What the Bible Says:

### John 19:30

When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, **It is finished:** and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

### Acts 2:27,

*“For you will not leave my soul in Hades, nor will you allow your Holy One to see corruption.”*

Christ experienced no suffering from others, since that would be corruption. Peter repeats himself just a few verses later in Acts 2:31: “His **soul was not left in Hell (Hades), nor did his flesh did see corruption.**” Notice it says neither soul nor body saw corruption. Certainly to say that he became sin and was tortured as any other sinner would mean He did see corruption.

### Col 2:15

*And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made **a shew of them openly**, triumphing over them in it.*

### Eph 5:30

*For we are members **of his body**, of his flesh, and of his bones.*

### 1 Peter 2:24

*Who his own self **bare our sins in his own body** on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.*

### 1 Peter 3:18

*“For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened (made alive) by the Spirit.”*

This does not mean that He died spiritually and then was spiritually resurrected by the Spirit. It means He died in the body, He was “put to death in the flesh,” not the spirit. The spirit of Christ did not die; His flesh did. He continued his life, existing in the spirit. Christ died in body only and continued to exist in spirit, just as He did before he came to earth.

### 1Peter4:1

*Christ **suffered in his body**. You also must be ready to have the same trouble happen to you. When a man has suffered in his body, he has stopped doing wrong things.*

### Hebrews 9:28

*So Christ was **once offered to bear the sins of many**; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.*

### **Hebrews 9:11-28**

*But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.*

*For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?*

*And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance. For where a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth.*

*Whereupon neither the first testament was dedicated without blood. For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people, Saying, This is the blood of the testament which God hath enjoined unto you. Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry. And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.*

*It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us: Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others; For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.*

*And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.*