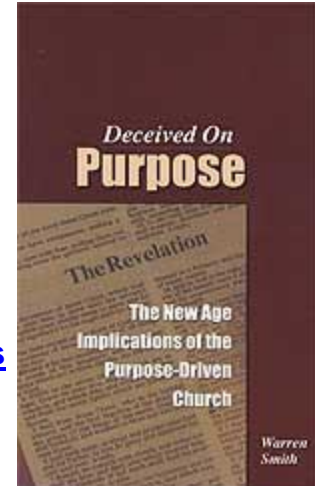


Pastor Rick Warren -- founder of the "Purpose Driven Church" Movement -- revealed that he is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR)! **This revelation means that Rick Warren has admitted to being Illuminati!!**

Let us review this incredible news story:

**NEWS BRIEF: "Megapastor Rick Warren's Damascus Road experience", by Joseph**

**Farah, World Net Daily, November 20, 2006**



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"WASHINGTON – Rick Warren, the superstar mega-church pastor and bestselling author of 'The Purpose Driven Life', had a Damascus Road experience last week – and like Saul of Tarsus, one of the after-effects appears to be blindness. Warren went to Syria and could find no persecution of Christians. He could find no persecution of Jews. He could find no evidence of extremism. He could find no evidence of the sponsorship of terrorism ... But that's not the story Warren is telling – at least not in the official press releases he is sending out from Rwanda in response to my confrontations with him last week in which I accused him of betraying his own country in a hostile foreign land and of being a propaganda tool of the Islamo-fascist regime in Damascus."

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Did you catch what Rick Warren just revealed about himself? Listen again:

"... as a member of the Council on Foreign Relations ..."

Rick Warren has just admitted to being a member of THE Illuminist institution which controls the American political machine -- from the White House to the Congress to the Supreme Court! Rick Warren is leading his church **because** he is a member of the CFR, and has been taking orders from them for a very long time, undoubtedly from the very beginning, which is why the "Purpose Driven Church" has simply exploded in wealth and in sheer growth in the past 25 years!

But, the discerning person should not have been surprised. Listen to some of the basic revelations Cutting Edge has been pointing out for a very long time:

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**The "Purpose Driven Life" by Rick Warren has become a #1 bestseller and has been distributed to over 180,000 pastors worldwide. His theology has infiltrated almost every Christian denomination, coming like a flood into a city, leaving no house untouched. It is imperative we "test the spirits" of his teachings to see if they come from God.**

### **Will Rick Warren's 2nd Reformation Unite All Religions?**

"Who's the man of peace in any village - or it might be a woman of peace - who has the most respect, they're open and they're influential? They don't have to be a Christian. In fact, they could be a Muslim, but they're open and they're influential and you work with them to attack the five giants. And that's going to bring the second Reformation." - Rick Warren, from the Pew Forum on Religion, May 2005

### **Rick Warren in Rwanda for P.E.A.C.E.**



Rick Warren says he hopes that Rwanda will become the first "Purpose Driven nation."

**Rick Warren and Rwanda's President Paul Kagame attend a prayer rally in Kigali.**

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Loren Davis is an evangelist to Africa He believes Africa is very susceptible to apostasy as countless false teachers and New Age promoters, coming in the name of Christianity, are racing to spread their beliefs. Davis believes God wants to warn African Christians of the impending danger. This man was just incarcerated for speaking out against Rick

Warren....

On October 27, 2005 **Rick Warren will participate** in the **California Governor and First Lady's Conference on Women and Families**. Other speakers include **Deepak Chopra** and New Age Mormon, Steven Covey. A special Minerva Award will be given: "The annual Minerva Awards honor remarkable California women who have dedicated their lives to the service of others and who best embody the spirit of the Roman Goddess Minerva - the Goddess of Wisdom and Strength."

Panels and discussion topics will include: A Conversation with Deepak Chopra, the Global Goddess, The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People with Mormon Steven Covey and of course The Purpose Driven Life with Rick Warren.

The question must be asked, "Will Rick Warren tell these 150,000 women expected to participate that Jesus Christ is their only hope and that all other religious paths do not lead to God.

Rick Warren, pastor of Saddleback Church [has endorsed another New Age sympathizer](#). This time it is [Leonard Sweet](#), author of *Soul Tsunami*. Warren has endorsed not just the [back cover](#) of *Soul Tsunami* but also the front cover. [Leonard Sweet](#), author of [Quantum Spirituality](#) and also [Soul Tsunami, speaks of global connectedness, eradicating the gap between good and evil, and a host of other New Age concepts](#).

In the July 20th issue of [Rick Warren's](#) Ministry Toolbox newsletter, a link takes the reader to [Empowering Kids](#), the Purpose Driven Children's Ministry website. Empowering Kids website is [recommending the pro-contemplative Group Publishing](#) as a resource for kids.

Some of the activities that are promoted and marketed at Group Publishing include [labyrinths](#) and books that encourage the use of icons, candles, the silence, and rituals. Group Publishing is also [closely tied in with Youth Specialties](#) events where [yoga](#), [labyrinths](#), [contemplative prayer](#), and [the emerging church](#) are promoted.

The pastor of Saddleback Community Church, Dr. Rick Warren, was in the midst of his latest 40-day campaign, "40 Days of Community." The "40 Days of Community" program is a 6-week emphasis on building "community" within the Church, and Dr. Warren's example of the Tower of Babel was given at the conclusion of the 4<sup>th</sup> week. In essence, Dr. Warren related that the Tower of Babel was a perfect example of what could be accomplished when men and women work together to reach a common goal. He stated that the construction crew of the "Tower of Babel" worked so well as a group that God had to intervene to separate them. The context of this characterization and comparison of the events that occurred on the Plain of Shinar so long ago with that which can be accomplished by the members of the "Body of Christ" unified by the bond of the Holy Spirit should make the blood of a true child of God run ice cold. How could Dr. Warren violate the context of Scripture to the extreme that would result in such a comparison? Does he not realize the rebellious source of empowerment of those who built the tower? Does he not understand the historical and prophetic significance that stems from the events at Babel? Does he discount the power of the Holy Spirit working within the child of God in order to accomplish God's purposes? Does he dismiss the Scripture that states that God's strength is made perfect in man's weakness? Why would a minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ glorify one of the most renowned examples of rebellion against God in all of history?

### RICK WARREN PREDICTS A "NEW REFORMATION"

In his appearance before the Pew Forum in May 2005, Rick Warren of Purpose Driven Church fame predicted a "New Reformation" or a "Third Great Awakening" for America. He said:

"You know, 500 years ago, the first Reformation with Luther and then Calvin, was about beliefs. I think a new reformation is going to be about behavior. The first Reformation was about creeds; I think this one will be about deeds. ... The first Reformation actually split Christianity into dozens and then hundreds of different segments. I think this one is actually going to bring them together. Now, you're never going to get Christians, of all their stripes and varieties, to agree on all of the different doctrinal disputes and things like that, but what I am seeing them agree on are the purposes of the church. ... Last week I spoke to 4,000 pastors at my church who came from over 100 denominations in over 50 countries. Now, that's wide spread. WE HAD CATHOLIC PRIESTS, we had Pentecostal ministers, we had Lutheran bishops, we had Anglican bishops and we had

Baptist preachers. ("Myths of the Modern Mega-Church," May 23, 2005, transcript of the Pew Forum's biannual Faith Angle conference on religion, politics and public life).

Warren's New Reformation is not about beliefs or creeds or doctrinal purity; it is rather about "the purpose of the church."

Let me see if I understand this. It is not important that a church hold biblical doctrine and practice (e.g., Episcopalian, Lutheran) or even that it preach a biblical gospel (e.g., Catholic priests). It is only important that "churches" agree on their purpose? How can a "church" have a biblical purpose when it does not have biblical doctrine? How can it have a biblical purpose when it preaches a false sacramental gospel? Warren said he is praying for a second reformation of the church that will focus more on deeds than beliefs. The Bible, though, focuses on BOTH! You can't have right deeds before God if they are not built upon the right doctrinal foundation. The very first purpose of Scripture is for DOCTRINE! "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness" (2 Tim. 3:16).

If sound doctrine is not a foundational issue, I wonder why Paul instructed Timothy to "charge some that they teach NO OTHER DOCTRINE"

(1 Tim. 1:3)? I wonder why he didn't rather instruct Timothy to go easy on the doctrine issue? It is apparent that the apostle Paul's teaching is contrary to Rick Warren's?

### RICK WARREN'S IGNORANCE ABOUT FUNDAMENTALISM

Rick Warren, of Purpose Drive Church fame, knows a lot about megachurches but almost nothing about fundamentalism. In his appearance before the Pew Forum in May 2005 he made the following comments:

"Today there really aren't that many Fundamentalists left; I don't know if you know that or not, but they are such a minority; there aren't that many Fundamentalists left in America. ... Bob Jones is not a mega-church. That's right exactly, it's not, and that group

is shrinking more and more and more. On the other hand, Pentecostalism and charismatic evangelicalism is growing by leaps and bounds. It's growing huge all over the world. ... Now the word 'fundamentalist' actually comes from a document in the 1920s called the Five Fundamentals of the Faith. And it is a very legalistic, narrow view of Christianity, and when I say there are very few fundamentalists, I mean in the sense that they are all actually called fundamentalist churches, and those would be quite small. There are no large ones. .. that group is shrinking more and more and more" ("Myths of the Modern Mega-Church," May 23, 2005, transcript of the Pew Forum's biannual Faith Angle conference on religion, politics and public life).

As for fundamentalism being a "narrow view of Christianity" Warren is correct. It seeks to be as narrow as the Bible, and if that is a sin, the apostles and early churches didn't know about it. As for Warren's idea that fundamentalism is a form of "legalism," this only exposes his anti-biblical perspective. What kind of "legalism" is it for a blood-washed, saved-by-grace saint to aim to preach all of the truths of God's Word and to be faithful to God's Word in all matters? Though we are saved by grace without works, we are saved unto good works

(Eph. 2:8-10). If that is legalism, Paul was a great legalist, for he testified, "For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God" (Acts 20:27). There are 88 specific duties that Christians are instructed to follow in the book of Ephesians alone, the very book that emphasizes salvation without works!

Rick Warren is a very dangerous man, the blind leading the blind. His books are accepted by the world (e.g., his "40 Days of Purpose" has been used by Coca-Cola, Ford, Wal-Mart, the NBA, LPGA, NASCAR, professional baseball teams, etc.), because he is of the world.

### RICK WARREN DENOUNCES THE SBC'S DEPARTURE FROM THE LIBERAL BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE

During a press conference at the Baptist World Alliance's (BWA) Centenary Congress in Birmingham, England, in July, Rick Warren of Purpose Driven Church fame called the

Southern Baptist Convention's withdrawal from that organization "silly" and "a mistake" ("Warren: Global Baptists Are in This Together," Kentucky Western Recorder, July 27, 2005).

But it was not a mistake to pull out of an organization that is shot through with theological liberalism, that is a home to many preachers who deny that the Bible is the infallible Word of God? Rick Warren obviously has a greater love for wolves in sheep's clothing than Jesus Christ does (see Mat. 7:15-17).

Warren, a keynote speaker at the BWA Congress, said Baptists should have "unity without uniformity."

Warren said, "I see absolutely zero reason in separating my fellowship from anybody."

Perhaps he needs to read Romans 16:17; 2 Cor. 6:14-18; 2 Tim. 3:5, and similar verses in an accurate Bible like the King James instead of the paraphrases that he is accustomed to using, because the Bible's command to separate from false teachers should be a good enough reason for doing so.

Warren warned that Baptists often are "known for what we're against rather than what we're for."

In his book, that is wrong, but it isn't wrong when measured biblically. Paul spent much of his time preaching against sin and error, both in the book of Acts and in his epistles. The Lord Jesus Christ frequently preached red hot messages on hell, and He was known for His opposition to the Sadducees and Pharisees, the theological liberals and Catholic priests of His day.

Rick Warren has adopted the contemporary "positive" philosophy and he measures ministries by that rather than by the pure Word of God.

# Chrislam's Rick Warren Partnering With Mosques To Teach That God And Allah Are The Same

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## **Rick Warren and Chrislam 2.0**

Rick Warren has decided to spend his time and wealth promoting the hybrid Chrislam religion.

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**From WND:** (OCREGISTER) — The Rev. Rick Warren, pastor of Saddleback Church in Lake Forest and one of America's most influential Christian leaders, has embarked on an effort to heal divisions between evangelical Christians and Muslims by partnering with Southern California mosques and proposing a set of theological principles that includes acknowledging that Christians and Muslims worship the same God.

The effort, informally dubbed King's Way, caps years of outreach between Warren and Muslims. Warren has broken Ramadan fasts at a Mission Viejo mosque, met Muslim leaders abroad and addressed 8,000 Muslims at a national convention in Washington D.C.

Saddleback worshippers have invited Muslims to Christmas dinner and played interfaith soccer at a picnic in Irvine attended by more than 300 people. (The game pitted pastors and imams against teens from both faiths. The teens won.)

The effort by a prominent Christian leader to bridge what polls show is a deep rift between Muslims and evangelical Christians culminated in December at a dinner at Saddleback attended by 300 Muslims and members of Saddleback's congregation. [source – WND](#)

**From Stand Up For The Truth:** This past Sunday, a major shift was announced by Pastor Rick Warren at his Saddleback Church in Orange County, California, that has many Christian leaders concerned. As Saddleback hosted its "celebration of Jesus (pbuh)," attended by a number of Muslim communities in Southern California, something theologically significant happened at the dinner portion of the event.

Only a select number of people were invited to the dinner. A document one year in the making was presented which encourages Christians and Muslims to "appreciate the similarities of our faiths." What



does this mean? Is it simply a way to reach out a helping hand to the communities in Southern California, or is something more serious happening? [source – Stand Up For The Truth](#)

**From Time:** WASHINGTON — Defying some of his fellow conservative Christian critics, one of the most prominent religious leaders in the country told several thousand American Muslims on Saturday that “the two largest faiths on the planet” must work together to combat stereotypes and solve global problems. [source – MSNBC](#)

**From Jim Hinch:** Saddleback Church in Orange County, California, home to super-pastor Rick Warren (Obama inauguration, Purpose Driven Life, etc.) has joined forces with Southern California mosques to adopt a three-step plan for ending enmity between evangelical Christians and Muslims.

The plan’s first step calls for Muslims and Christians to recognize they worship the same God. Interfaith reconciliation has been proceeding for years between Muslims and more liberal-leaning mainline Protestant denominations.

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This is the first such effort I’ve heard of by an evangelical mega-church. Many evangelicals regard Islam as Christianity’s number one enemy, and they do not at all agree that the two faiths worship the same God. This is likely to make waves. [source – Jim Hinch](#)

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## **Chrislam Starts To Spread In America**

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“And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God; I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.” [Revelation 3:14-16](#)

**Pastors that are really wolves in sheep’s clothing**

You knew this day was going to come, when the liberal “love gospel” preachers who, desiring to fill their seats and bank accounts, would find a way to merge apostate christianity with the Devil’s religion of Islam. That day is here.

Rick Warren with his new best friend, Christ rejector Cat Stevens, who changed his name to Yusef Isalm

Just recently, Rick Warren, founder and pastor of Saddleback Community Church in Orange County California, addressed the convention of the Islamic Society of North America. Warren stated that Muslims and Christians must work together to combat stereotypes, promote peace and freedom, and solve global problems. Christians and Moslems – faith mates, soul mates and now work mates! Chrislam!

**Quote of the Day:** “Before we “shake your hand” in responding to your letter, we ask forgiveness of the All-Merciful One and of the Muslim community around the world.” – Rick Warren in a speech to Muslims.

This weekend, the Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church in Houston along with Christian communities in Atlanta, Seattle, and Detroit will initiate a series of sermons that have been designed to produce an ecumenical reconciliation between Christianity and Islam. In addition to the sermons, the Sunday school lessons will center on the inspired teachings of the Prophet Mohammad. Qurans will be placed in the pews next to the Bibles. (**NOTE:** Due to the overwhelming response that this article has generated, the Pastor of Memorial Church has issued a semi-denial of the events we reported. They do not, however, deny supporting and teaching a doctrine called “Jesus in the Koran. [Click here](#) to read their semi-denial. So until other information is made available to NTEB, we will run the story as is, along with their side, and you the reader can decide what’s going on. But people, ask yourself...would any *real*, bible believing church try and teach it’s members about “Jesus in the Koran”? That’s blasphemy.)

The sign may be Photoshop, but the message it carries is all too real. Chrislam must be stopped now. If your church teaches this heresy – run!

The concept of Chrislam, now embraced by such preachers as Rick Warren and Robert Schuller, appears to have emerged from a program on the meaning of “love your neighbor” at Grace Fellowship Church in Atlanta, Georgia “In 2001, like most Americans, we were pretty awakened to the true Islamic presence in the world and in the United States,” says Jon Stallsmith, the outreach minister at Grace Fellowship. “Jesus says we should love our neighbors. We can’t do that without having a relationship with them.”

Stallsmith maintains that a rapprochement between Muslims and Christians can be achieved by the fact that Jesus is mentioned twenty-five times in the Quran.

The Chrislam movement has gained impetus by statements from President George W. Bush and that Christians, Jews, and Muslims all worship the same God and by Rick Warren’s reference to Isa (the

Muslim name for Jesus) in his prayer at the inauguration of President Barack Obama. Only 30 percent of Americans have a favorable view of Muslims, according to a Pew Forum poll. At the same time, more than half the country says they know “not very much” or “nothing at all” about the Islamic faith. “The recent political developments and the fact that we’re fighting two wars in Muslim countries should sharpen that need to know how to talk to these guys,” Stallsmith insists “We want to find peace, reconciliation around a scriptural understanding of Jesus.”

Jesus in the Quran is neither the only-begotten Son of God nor the Messiah who was divinely appointed to restore the House of David. He is rather viewed as a prophet who was appointed by Allah to prepare mankind for the coming of Mohammad.”

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**CHRISLAM UPDATE:** On June 26, 2011, churches all across America will hold Chrislam services in their churches. [Click here to read story and see list of participating churches.](#)

Is YOUR CHURCH involved with Chrislam?

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## **EXPOSED! Rick Warren Admits Membership In New World Order Group CFR**

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Rick Warren - Member in good standing in CFR

Warren went to Syria and could find no persecution of Christians. He could find no persecution of Jews. He could find no evidence of extremism. He could find no evidence of the sponsorship of terrorism.

Despite the temporary loss of vision that prevented him from seeing any evil in the totalitarian police state, Warren's hearing was apparently not affected – for his ears were tickled by what he heard and apparently accepted lock, stock and barrel from the second-generation dictator, Bashar Assad, and his state-approved mufti.

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In fact, after I called him out last week in my column, Warren e-mailed me claiming to have been misquoted by the official Syrian news agency.

"Joseph, why didn't you contact me first and discover the fact that I said nothing of the sort?" he pleaded. "The trip was a favor to my next door neighbor, had nothing to do with policy, and was done with the State Department's knowledge – who told us to expect exactly what Syria did – a PR blast. I don't pretend to be a diplomat. I'm a pastor who just gets invited places."

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"I'm sure since you were warned in advance by the State Department that you took the precaution of recording your own words," I suggested in my response. "We look forward to seeing the transcripts or hearing the recordings."

I also asked if he could respond specifically to the words put in his mouth by the Syrian news agency. And lastly I suggested that he should have "counseled with me, or other people knowledgeable about the Middle East before doing so much damage with your reckless trip."

I really didn't expect to hear back from Warren – but, a few minutes later, I did, with an absolutely stunning retort.

He let me know he is a close friend of President Bush "and many, if not most, of the generals at the Pentagon." He also told me he did not tape anything while in Syria, "because it was a courtesy call, like I do in every country." Warren explained that he had also counseled with the National Security Council and the White House, as well as the State Department, before his little courtesy call for a neighbor.

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He continued: "I hope you'll not choose to believe Syrian propaganda even though, as you pointed out at the start of your article, you've been wanting to criticize me for some time. In spite of your rush to judgment, I think you write great, insightful columns. You are almost batting 1,000."

No sooner had I received this surprising response from Warren, I also got an e-mail providing a link to a YouTube video of Rick Warren in Syria explaining how great the Assad regime treats Christians and Jews and how Damascus "does not permit extremism of any kind."

Not one to let lies go unchallenged, I wrote back to Warren with a link to the YouTube video: "If you didn't tape anything, what's this? Do you really believe Syria does not allow extremism of any kind? There are more terrorist organizations based in Syria than anywhere else in the world!"

It might be that Rick Warren, deep in the bush of Rwanda, never received those last questions, because he never responded – at least not in the last three days.

He did, however, within minutes make sure the YouTube video he recorded independent of his meetings with the Syrian brown shirts was removed from the network. Vanished. Kaput. Sterilized. Cleansed. Stay tuned for more on Rick Warren's "Agenda-Driven Life" in the coming days – sponsored, of course, by the Council on Foreign Relations. [source – Joseph Farah/WND](#)

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COMMENT: Aspen Institute is a "card Carrying" member of Tavistock, Behavioral Think Tank for the Royal Institute of International Affairs (European Illuminati; sister to CFR (American Illuminati).

# Purpose-Driven Deception on a Global Scale

By Berit Kjos, 11-26-06

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"When you write the **best-selling book in the world for the last three years**, that changes your life.... Ten percent of America's churches have engaged in '40 Days of Purpose' programs, which have 'spread' to secular organizations, including sports teams and major corporations such as Ford, Wal-Mart and Coca-Cola, not to mention the military."<sup>[1]</sup> RickWarren

"Dear Saddleback Family... This week I shared part of this message in New York City where **I spoke at the United Nations**, and also to [The Council on Foreign Relations](#)." Group email to Saddleback sent by "Pastor Rick," September 17, 2005.

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First, let's review some recent events. On November 13, Rick Warren met with Syria's Grand Mufti Sheikh Badr al-Din Hassoun in Damascus. Their dialogue was publicized by the Syrian Arab News Agency (SANA) in an article titled, "[American Priest Says no Peace without Syria:](#)"

"Rick Warren on Monday said... that 80 percent of the American people rejected what the US Administration is doing in Iraq and considered the US policy in the Mideast as wrong.... Warren expressed admiration of Syria and the coexistence he saw between Muslims and Christians, stressing that he will convey this image to his church and country."<sup>[4]</sup>

On November 16, WorldNetDaily founder Joseph Farah wrote,

"Rick Warren wrote to me this morning to protest this column. **He claims he didn't say anything he was actually quoted as saying** by the official press in Syria. However, **in a video...** he says **Syria 'does not allow extremism** of any kind.' In fact, Syria is, in many ways, the No. 1 sponsor of terrorism in the world.... Here's what the Syrian Arab News Agency reported: '...Pastor Warren **hailed the religious coexistence, tolerance and stability** that the Syrian society is enjoying due to the wise leadership of **President al-Assad....**'"<sup>[5]</sup>

Despite contrary evidence, Warren proclaimed what the Syrian President al-Assad apparently told him. But the soon-to-follow assassination of [Pierre Gemayel](#), a Christian anti-Syrian official in the Lebanese government -- therefore a foe to the Syria-backed Hezbollah terrorists -- should shatter those public illusions of tolerant coexistence.<sup>[6]</sup>

Finally, in a startling expose on November 20, Joseph Farah wrote,

"I pointed out to Warren that WND had indeed attempted to contact him about his trip. **No one from his Saddleback Church ever returned our calls** the day the story broke. 'I'm sure since you were warned in advance by the State Department that you took the **precaution of recording your own words,**' I suggested in my response. 'We look forward to seeing the transcripts.'...

"I really didn't expect to hear back from Warren -- but, a few minutes later, I did, with an absolutely stunning retort. He let me know he is a **close friend of President Bush 'and many,** if not most, of the **generals** at the Pentagon.' He also told me **he did not tape anything** while in Syria, 'because it was a courtesy call, like I do in every country.' Warren explained that he had also counseled with the National Security Council and the **White House,** as well as the State Department, before his little courtesy call.... 'In fact, Warren added, **'as a member of the [Council on Foreign Relations](#)** and [Oxford Analytica](#), I might know as much about the Middle East as you.'...

"Not one to let lies go unchallenged, I wrote back to Warren with a link to the YouTube video: 'If you **didn't tape anything, what's this?**... It might be that Rick Warren, deep in the bush of Rwanda, never received those last questions, because he never responded -- at least not in the last three days. **He did, however, within minutes make sure the YouTube video he recorded** independent of his meetings with the Syrian brown shirts **was removed** from the network."<sup>[2]</sup>

### **1. Why would the globalist [Council on Foreign Relations](#) (CFR) invite a Christian Pastor to join its secretive, anti-Christian organizations?**

To understand the gravity of this unlikely partnership, let's summarize the history of the CFR. The following excerpts from our article, "[Real Conspiracies -- Past and Present](#)," provide a glimpse of the ruling network of masterminds behind the curtains of contemporary governments:

Few have done more to expose this global agenda than Bill Clinton's mentor, Carroll Quigley, an influential former history professor at the Foreign Service Schools of Georgetown University. Ponder this revelation from his 1300-page report, [Tragedy and Hope](#):

"There does exist, and has existed for a generation, an **international Anglophile network** which operates, to some extent in the way the radical Right believes the Communists act. In fact, this network, which we may identify as the **Round Table Groups**, has no aversion to **cooperating with the Communists**, or any other groups, and frequently does so. I know of the operation of this network because I have studied it for twenty years, and was permitted for two years, in the early 1960s, to examine its papers and secret records.... [I]n general my chief difference of opinion is that **it wishes to remain unknown....**"[\[7\]](#)

Quigley's next page describes the birth of [The Council of Foreign Relations \(CFR\)](#). A driving force behind today's global transformation, CFR insiders have helped steer the course of the current shift from U.S. sovereignty to a [regional union under the UN](#) (like the European Union) with open borders between Canada, the U.S. and Mexico. He writes,

"At the end of the war of 1914 [World War 1], it became clear that the organization of this [secret] system had to be greatly extended.... This front organization, called the **Royal Institute of International Affairs**, had as its nucleus in each area the existing **submerged** Round Table Group. In New York it was known as the **Council on Foreign Relations**, and was a **front for J. P. Morgan** and Company.... In fact, the original plans for the [Royal Institute of International Affairs](#) and [The Council of Foreign Relations](#) were drawn up at **Paris.**"[\[8\]](#)

Rick Warren's global PEACE Plan fits right into this rising [New World Order](#). As we explained in [Warren's P.E.A.C.E. Plan and UN Goals - Part 2](#), this Communitarian system is based on partnerships and networks between *government (public sector)*, *business (private sector)* and *churches -- the most useful member of civil society (social sector)*. But it's never a partnership of equals, since governments wield both financial and standard-setting power. In the global arena, it intends to use the social sector (especially the global network of churches) to meet the needs of its promised welfare system.[\[9\]](#)

Rick Warren seems more than happy to be the Pied Piper that ushers churches into the organizational web envisioned by the [CFR](#) -- the guiding political force behind the visible global management system. [See "[Warren's P.E.A.C.E. Plan - Part 1](#)"][\[10\]](#)

## **2. How might Rick Warren benefit the elite [Oxford Analytica](#)?**

He fits right into its agenda! Many of the same power brokers that steer the CFR are also guiding the Oxford Analytica. Its founder, David R. Young, provides this [background](#) information:

"...I joined the National Security Council staff as Kissinger's Administrative Assistant in late 1969. During the next four years in the White House - until 1973 - I observed among other things how Kissinger made ample use of his own personal network of friends around the world.... I could not avoid a very simple idea, namely: 'What a reservoir of talent: there must be a way of harnessing it, and becoming a bridge for it to reach the business and government worlds outside.' At the centre of this vision was the conviction that people in authority - the world over - would more often than not make better decisions if they were to regularly receive the benefit of totally dispassionate and detached analyses on the significance and implications of world events....

"...with the help and encouragement of my old mentor at the [Rockefellers](#), J. Richardson Dilworth, I tried the idea on [David Rockefeller](#), then Chairman of **Chase Manhattan Bank**; Walter Wriston, then head of **Citibank**...



Robert Engle, then Treasurer of [J.P. Morgan](#); and Sir Siegmund **Warburg**... All of them felt the idea was sound and worth pursuing."<sup>[11]</sup>

Most of these mighty elites have chosen to live in the shadow of the mainstream media they control. Not so Rick Warren. Yet his global ambitions and magnetic leadership skills would serve them well, and Warren knows it. "Billions of people suffer each day from problems so big no government can solve them," Warren told the cheering crowd at Los Angeles' [Angel Stadium](#) back in 2005. "The only thing big enough to solve the problems of spiritual emptiness, selfish leadership, poverty, disease, and ignorance is the network of millions of churches all around the world."<sup>[12]</sup>

### **3. Why would Warren lie about his taped, much publicized dialogue with Syrian Muslim leader?**

Like the CFR and the media it controls, Rick Warren has mastered the dialectic skill of speaking out of both sides of his mouth. He knows how to cloak worldly ambitions in words that resemble Biblical humility. He hides his emphasis on [social collectivism](#) behind Biblical words that promise oneness in Christ. And he promotes the [Communitarian agenda](#) while acknowledging the [Kingdom of God](#).<sup>[13]</sup>

But balancing such opposites leads to problems. Those who try to please influencers in every camp are likely to prove unreliable and dishonest. And in this case, Warren was obviously trapped by his own purpose-driven propaganda. In Syria he spoke words that would please the Muslim, anti-American leadership. In America, he tried to hide the facts in order to please his American fans.

Of course, positive proclamations can't cure the hatreds brewing in Syria. Now that Gemayel's assassination has fueled that fire, the noble sentiments of popular visionaries sound hollow indeed. As Rick Warren's "close friend" President Bush said,

"it exposed the 'viciousness of those who are trying to destabilize the country' and pledged to stand with Lebanon 'in the face of attempts by Syria, Iran and their allies within Lebanon to foment instability and violence.'<sup>[14]</sup>

Warren's deceptions began years ago, when he first adapted his famous [five purposes](#) to a postmodern culture. The outline below shows his Biblical titles (click on the live links to see the Scriptures). But the practical expressions of those Biblical terms have been twisted to accommodate the human preferences indicated by [surveys and marketing schemes](#).

1. **Worship**: Postmodern worship is designed to stir good feelings and collective zeal. It may echo Biblical words, but points to a positive and permissive God who will cheer our self-centered nature and excuse our unholy ways. It clashes with genuine expressions of Spirit-filled hearts that freely praise God without emotion-raising stimuli. (See [Spirit-Led or Purpose-Driven](#))

2. **Fellowship**: Organized purpose-driven "fellowship" follows [dialectical](#) guidelines. Small group members are trained in unbiblical tolerance, feeling-based (not fact-based) "sharing," and hostility toward "offensive" Biblical absolutes. In contrast, Biblical fellowship implies a gathering of genuine believers with a common delight in His Word, His will, and His holy ways.

"We're all in this together," said Rick Warren at the [liberal Baptist World Alliance's](#) 2005 Congress. Baptists can "celebrate our diversity and celebrate our unity," he continued. "I see absolutely zero reason in separating my fellowship from anybody."<sup>[15]</sup>

3. **Discipleship**: Today's purpose-driven leadership calls for submission and loyalty to "the group" and its postmodern social ethics -- not to God and His Word. It demands [collective thinking](#) and "[service learning](#)."

4. **Ministry**: The shape and structure of purpose-driven ministries are increasingly defined by new [management gurus](#), [personality assessments](#), [community surveys](#), and group appeal, not by Biblical teaching nor God's actual purposes.

5. **Evangelism**: Today's soft, [non-offensive gospel](#) focuses on God's supposed passionate appreciation for people who are naturally lovable, not on His loving mercy for depraved sinners. (See [Ephesians 2:1-4](#)) When "Christian" change agents train the masses to "[think outside the box](#)" of God's unchanging Word, they blind people to the only truth that can set us free.

By thinking "outside" God's guidelines, Rick Warren can justify all kinds of useful distortions and revisions of his original message. It allows him to speak *one* message to Christians -- and a *contrary* message adapted to the world. This pragmatic flexibility is especially useful on non-Christian platforms. It enables him to focus on his global network and secular partnerships, while hiding or distorting the Biblical message.

Thus he can stress the need to network with influential unbelievers of any religion, ignoring God's warnings concerning [unbiblical partnerships](#). And he can freely [bend God's unchanging Word](#), claiming that *Jesus sent his disciples out to find those useful influencers who would join their battle against the giants of poverty, AIDS and other social problems*.<sup>[16]</sup>

But Jesus didn't tell them to fix the world. Instead He called them to [preach the gospel](#) and call people to repentance! In fact, Jesus warned his disciples (Matthew 24:35-44) that this evil world would be destroyed, not saved. All the more urgent is His message to those who "[have ears to hear](#)."

*"...if anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed. For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I would not be a bondservant of Christ." Galatians 1:9-10*

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See comments on this article at [Purpose Driven Life](#)

Listen to the tape Rick Warren denied making [HERE](#)

Joseph Farah's explanation of this tape:

[Rick Warren on Syria: 'A moderate country'](#): "...**Less tension?** Let me explain how Warren's buddy, dictator Bashar Assad, manages to keep peace and tranquility. **Secret police. Wiretapping. Torture. Political prisoners. Death**

**squads.** Bashar's father, Hafez, was the master at heavy-handed Big Brother tactics. When the citizens of Hama rose up to challenge his authority in February 1982, Assad sent in Syrian troops to massacre between 10,000 and 25,000 civilians. The town was paved over and marked permanently to ensure **that others would learn the terrible lesson.** It worked. There's been 'peace,' as Rick Warren would call it, ever since....

"...the **Assads simply crush any extremism that threatens their tyrannical rule.** But Syria plays ball with the terrorists by allowing them to use Syria.... That's why **Syria serves as the headquarters for more terrorist organizations than any other country in the world....**

"Rick Warren has been deceitful about the nature of this trip and the content of his statements from the beginning. Last week, after I first challenged him about the trip, **he denied making any statements like this....** When I asked him if he made any recordings while there that could help clear his name, he said he did not."

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