

## Hind's Feet Hazards

### SDAs Swallowing Subtle Spiritualism

Hello Temple and friends,

This is quite long, might want to print it out for research later.

I'm going to cut and paste something I wrote to some friends in this email. It is what I believe is the truth behind that famous book: Hinds Feet in High Places by Hannah Hurnard. I have been all over the Internet trying to find info, but all I find is the positive about what a wonderful Christian book it is, except for one place, and I have his article inserted below. .

I have to say that right now, I am seeing the effects of subtle spiritualism taking hold of family and friends. My sister, has not read this book, but has been deceived by the New Theology, and who dwells on the LOVE of God, not much else, has expressed the same sentiments as found in an example of one of Ms. Hurnard's later books. Two weeks ago my sister had an experience in which she almost drowned under a raft while on a floating trip. She is a very sweet SDA, but is worried about the salvation of her two non practicing adult children. While under the boat, thinking she was going to drown, the Lord gave her a revelation "that just before a person is about to die in a tragic accident, the Lord will give that person a CHANCE to make a decision for Him." BECAUSE AS SHE EXPLAINED TO ME: "HE LOVES US SO MUCH THAT HE IS GOING TO DO EVERYTHING HE CAN SO SAVE US."

I am going to copy & paste a few statements from another book of Ms. Hurnard's here first, the reason I do that is because so many SDA's are expressing those same sentiments. Here is an excerpt from "Eagles' Wings", in which we are assured of universal salvation for all, which is very close to the "love gospel we hear so much of these days." The character, Aletheia ("truth") makes these discoveries:

*"All her [Aletheia's] unacknowledged doubts and questions arose again concerning a God who **called Himself Love** and who brought myriads of souls into existence **without being able to prevent them from condemning themselves to an eternity of hopeless darkness and suffering, lost to Him forever. How could He possibly love them**, if He let this happen to them? How could He possibly be good, if He brought them into an existence where it was possible for them to **separate themselves from His love and joy and goodness** forever?"*

*"Oh, how terrible and hopeless to be a God who loves goodness and cannot save His own creatures from preferring evil. If he did not call **Himself a God of Love** it would be different. A devil might create living souls capable of tormenting themselves forever. **Oh, what agony to love the souls brought into existence enough to go to the cross in a last supreme effort to save them and not be able to do so.** To proclaim, 'I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto Myself,' and to be unable to do it! To find that the Devil is stronger than Goodness and could gloatingly and triumphantly succeed in damning at least ninety percent of God's creatures, leaving only a pitiful ten or even smaller percent to respond to His love — a handful of souls for Him to rejoice over for ever and ever, while all the others were tormented in hell. Oh, what hopelessly bitter Bad News this was. How could she ever believe in and trust such a God again?"*

*But then a "Good Shepherd" comes to enlighten Aletheia, assuring her:*

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“ ‘God is an infinite ocean of Love and Goodness. In Him there is no wrath at all. What men call His wrath and judgment is the inexorable determination of the love of the skilled surgeon to heal the sickness and suffering of a beloved son....’ ”

Aletheia comes to her epiphany at last:

“‘**He is the Saviour of all men!**’ (1 Tim. 4:10). The words burst forth in passionate triumph from the lips of Aletheia. ‘Oh, how blind I have been! He is lifted up and nailed to the cross with us. As Jesus revealed when He hung between the two thieves and murderers, He will “draw all men unto Him.”’

L\_\_\_ here:

Now, Hinds Feet seems OK at first glance, but, it is a very subtle introduction into false theology. Her later books revealed what she was really into: Spiritualism. Here is a copy of an email I sent to the friend who gave me that book to read, and who has held this book up as a wonderful book to read:

Dear Louis,

I started reading the book you loaned me by Hannah Hurnard HINDS FEET IN HIGH PLACES. I had resisted reading it for years, in fact I had read the first chapter and it made no sense at that time. This time as I went through the first couple chapters my heart was skipping a beat, for it **expressed my innermost sentiments exactly (that should have been a clue to me)**. I was thinking to myself: Linda, you have come a long way, now you can finally read this book; this must mean I'm having a deeper religious experience! (foolish of me)

As I continued reading I read on page 83:

"It was very early morning, and high above them, hanging in the sky over the silent expanse of desert, was a YOUNG CRESCENT MOON AND THE MORNING STAR SHINING LIKE A BRILLIANT JEWEL CLOSE BESIDE IT."

**WHAT!** That is a satanic symbol. Then on page 87 she takes us inside the GREAT PYRAMID. What is going on here? Why does she have to use a pyramid? I have been in that great pyramid in Egypt. It is all satanic. Something is WRONG. I decided to read the biographies about her, and re-read the introduction to her book. I compared her experience to Ellen White's. Ellen's was different. She never resisted the spirit as a child etc....Hannah not only resisted and had no inclinations to be spiritual, but when she was finally converted this is what she said about her conversion experience:

She then believed "God called for a sacrifice":

"She was to be the sacrifice."

"God wanted HER mouth"

She must agree to "be HIS MESSENGER".

"at once her heart was filled with peace and joy".

Louis I stopped reading. Something is wrong. The above yellow highlighted areas should alert us. I went on the Internet searching. Somehow I believe this book is full of VEILED spiritualism. But I cannot put my finger on it. Then I found this information below. This is from a Pentecostal minister whose son went to this Mt. Zion School.

[\*\*Shocking Events At Mt. Zion School of Ministry\*\*](#)

**Going to Mt. Zion School of Ministry? Be Warned!**

In 1998 my son concluded two years at Mount Zion School of Ministry and received a two-year diploma. While he was attending, I definitely felt something was odd but couldn't put my finger on the problem. Problem? What could possibly be wrong? [Dave Wilkerson](#) is the sponsor and founder of Mt. Zion School of Ministry! We sent our son with utter confidence and trust. Unfortunately, we had no inkling of what was truly happening at Mt. Zion.

### **What Happened at Mt. Zion School of Ministry?**

The administration of Mt. Zion was putting forward perverse New Age Theology. These teachings undermined:

#### **Salvation through faith in Jesus Christ alone**

#### **Divine Healing as provided for in the atonement<sup>1</sup>**

**Empowerment for service through the Holy Ghost Baptism** [Obviously he is a pentecostal] Rather than being built up with sound Biblical doctrine, Mt. Zion students were lead into a mystical world of monkish introspection and scourging of their inner selves. They were taught that only through a **long process** of breaking and or physical (sickness) can a believer be properly equipped for ministry. Personal sorrow and suffering were depicted as the only means to attain holiness and full unity or fellowship with Christ.<sup>2</sup> Ultimately, students were informed through their chapel devotional guide that every human affection must completely be removed and destroyed as a sacrifice to God. When this work is achieved inner sorrow and suffering will supposedly vanish away!<sup>3</sup> I later discovered that Dave Wilkerson also puts forward SOME of these ideas in his book Hungry For More of Jesus.<sup>4</sup>

**NOTICE:** Not every teacher at Mt. Zion promoted the above Theology. Nonetheless, every student was exposed to and strongly inseeded with these above doctrines. When my son gave a talk about "victory in Jesus" his message was disallowed and another had to be submitted.

### **Implementing Truth? -- Oh Dear!**

These bazaar teachings at Mt. Zion were clearly exemplified when my son initiated, with some faculty resistance, a love offering to pay for a fellow student's emergency tooth extraction. This student was suffering with two seriously decayed teeth and did not have the resources to pay a dentist. A week or so after the collection was gathered the students were informed that it was a sin to interfere with God's dealings. The students were told, that by giving help, we hinder the suffering that God has willed and thus, a needed lesson will not be learned!

Reader, please remember that the above approach to suffering is a fundamental tenant of many heathen religions but not Evangelical Christianity. It was certainly not consistent with our past image of David Wilkerson and his ministry! Nevertheless, this was not an isolated case at Zion. The prayer of faith was not part of the Zion experience. Rather, when a student sought for healing prayer, suffering in body and soul were magnified as God's tools for our betterment. Prayer was only offered after an extended talk that explained that God might be doing something through this physical problem. If this troubles you and sounds unbelievable than check below and read our book review of Dave's Hungry for More of Jesus.

### **Polluted Wells**

We have told you the good news and from here things get much worse. At Mt. Zion School of Ministry President Catherine Logan stayed the course upon two books. First, the Bible (good! very good!) and secondly, the writings and spirituality of Hannah Hurnard. In David Wilkerson's Bibleless graduation speech he twice stated that Catherine was no Theologian but explained that she was deeply spiritual. What Dave failed to say or perhaps realize was that Catherine stands toe to toe with Hannah Hurnard in both message and spirit.

In my son's first year President Catherine used Hannah's Hinds' Feet on High Places as **the chapel devotional guide**. We discovered that Hannah's writings were not just another book at Zion but were

described by Catherine as "inspired by the Holy Spirit." Hannah's book Mountains of Spices was also used the text in a class during my son's second year. Unfortunately, the Hinds' Feet message was not restricted to chapel during one year but was made a part of **all** that President Catherine emphasized and imparted.

### **The Spawn of Satan**

So, who is Hannah Hurnard and what exactly does she teach? By the end of her life, Hannah Hurnard established herself as an **extreme heretic** of the first order, who, put forward a smorgasbord of extreme **New Age** Theology including, **open rejection of the Gospel, Hyper Necromancy, Universalism, Pantheism, Reincarnation**, and much more. Her final book The Inner Man, is only available through New Age book suppliers. My Christian bookstore could not trade with these sources. Nevertheless, Hannah's Hinds' Feet remains very high on the Christian, best sellers book list. Having a "flowers and spice" approach, Hinds' Feet simply appears to be another "girl thing" book. **Actually, Hinds' Feet contains some very hurtful Theology but you must read carefully and listen to what is being said, rather than what is being felt.** Remember that every feeling must bow to the Word of God!

Hannah's fall from the truth was no fall at all. **A malevolent spirit controlled her before she ever started writing. In her first book Hind's Feet she introduces several extreme New Age teachings but dresses them in flowers, nature, lovely animals** and a idealistic romance with the Shepherd. She wrote of a long journey to the High Places **or Kingdom of Love**. In her last book The Inner Man she confirms that this climb to the High Places depicts our exodus from Physical consciousness to inner "mysticism" or soul world awareness. She says that this process of passing from one world to the other is called dyeing to self and is **only achieved through our personal sorrow and suffering**.

In Eagles' Wings Hannah contradicts the Fundamental Gospel of salvation through faith in Jesus and the repentance of sin. Hannah's brand of spirituality is **only achieved through personal sorrow and suffering**. Conversely, we know that if our personal sacrifice could save us than the shepherd might just as well be Buddha and if Christ's blood brings our Salvation than nothing else will suffice! Remember, the method of salvation that we preach is just as important as the name that we follow! There are many false Christs in every century.

[About "Suffering unto Holiness:" This link is included so that the reader may learn the views of this writer.](#)

### **Far, Far, Far Out! Talking to the Dead**

In Hannah's The Inner Man she declares that our awakening to the unseen world is a wonderful liberation. She says that we are then free to travel about in the spirit and to congregate with other kindred spirits. We are also told that **we may converse with the dead** in spite of Scripture's prohibition, because, she said that Jesus has approved this practice and he acts as the medium between the dead and the living. Hannah asserts entering this mystical world awakens us to new inner powers. She says that our mind cannot only read thoughts but our mind can alter the physical world around us. Through positive thinking Hannah ascribes powers to us that belong only to God in heaven. All of this occurs after we have earned the high places via sorry and suffering. (Note that my son recounts one occasion when the President of Mt. Zion described her communication with a departed loved one.)

**Consider how that all of these Satanic teaching began with a supposed righteous journey up to the Kingdom of Love.** Was this an innocent journey or one of the great deceptions of the 20th Century? The end of the matter has not yet been told. How many well meaning Christians are drinking from Hannah's well and in the process are drinking from a cup of demonic deception? How many are seeking holiness through their own sacrifices rather than Christ's Cross and are thus trusting in an anti-Cross? [How many place their inner revelations above the Scripture and by so doing are following another Christ?](#) May God save us! Will he find faith when he comes?

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Certainly some of the New Age ideas that we have catalogued above were not taught at Mt. Zion but whenever we find such extreme deception we must not fail to heed the warning bells and look more carefully for connected dangers. We have reviewed some of Hannah's writing below. Hinds' Feet, Mountains of Spice, and Dave's, Hungry for More of Jesus were books used at Mt. Zion. These books have serious problems that we will cite. However, some earnest believers will maintain that the teachings found there are just fine. For those in doubt we recommend a look at Hannah's extreme New Age writings. In these books we are given the full and sinister meaning of Hannah's most popular books.

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