



The Rest of the Story...



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Welcome from the Writer

I am so glad that you have a copy of this little book in your hands because now you have the answer to that age old question that seems to trip everyone up:

"To Judge or not To Judge?"

Knowledge is key to our spiritual growth, and I am so excited to be able to share with you what I have gleaned from the Word of our Creator!

Be sure to catch the next two books in this series that are designed to Stop the **Chaos**, and **Restore Order** to your soul!

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Peace be Yours, *T. Gilstrap*

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Introduction

Have you ever believed something without really questioning why? You just believe it because everyone else does, and that's the way it's always been, or at least to your knowledge? That is exactly what happened in my case.

I had no Church upbringing or background. I was nearly 30, and married with 3 children by the time I was born again.

I had been living a rebellious, heathenistic lifestyle, even though I had stopped my drug use, and crazy night life after I became pregnant with my first child.

I was about 28 the first time I stepped back into a Church since an occasional visit during childhood, and it was at the invitation of my Mother. She had invited my sister, and I to attend one night during a revival.

I left that night unaware that the seed of God's word had been planted in my heart, and it would eventually compel me to return. Go Mom!

Little did I know at that very moment, I would be fully engaged in the Church, and that in six short years I would be baptized into religion, and steeped in Church dialect! Oblivious to the fact that in this God had a plan, even when the enemy tried to derail it from the moment that seed of the Word was planted!

One day during intense prayer God spoke to my spirit to stop listening to anyone but Him.

He pulled me back from the mainstream, and the "norm" and boy, I had no idea what I was in for! As I began walking in my calling of Intercession I slowly realized that my prayers were usually always focused on the people who make up The Church, that is to say "The Sleeping Giant."

Through a ten-year process of intense prayer, fasting, and study came the will of God for my life, and the reason that I must be about my Fathers business today!

This is how my first book "Arise Sleeping Giant" came into being.

It's a stark warning and a wake up call to the Church that has been asleep, and must awaken for this time in history!

Church-ed

What do I mean by "Church-ed"? I'm glad you asked. I mean the people (like I was) who sit under The Pastors Teachings, and either do not take the time to study out what is being taught or simply believe that our responsibility to the truth ended when we showed up for Church! Can I get a witness? Whew!

Merely showing up for the service, and listening to the sermon will not help us grow in the knowledge of God. We must be active participants in our own spiritual growth. Thereby having more than a generic relationship with our Creator. To me, it seems to reason that we of all people should have at least a working knowledge of the Scriptures.

Sad to say that I have witnessed within the Church this lack of participation in spiritual growth (starting in my own life) which is our reasonable service in the Kingdom of God.

The problem is that we have gotten so far off of the path of the truth that it behooves many Churched folk to even attempt to make sense of all the madness! So we sit idly by and allow our minds to be shackled and bound by unfruitful sermons, and meaningless worship services.

Unfruitful not because of the Pastor or Minister but because we as the body have stopped mentally participating. We have shut out, and closed off the voice of Almighty God!

This booklet and many more to follow is my attempt to pull the Church-ed folk out of their slumber, and call them into the truth as revealed in Scripture.

Matthew 7:1

Has to be without a doubt one of the most misused scriptures today, though we have a plethora to choose from!

How many times have we heard the following quote?

"Don't Judge me, only God can Judge Me"

— Say's Religion

We have been introduced to this idea that somehow we as believers in "God" should never judge anyone on any level whatsoever, because it makes us hypocrites or something.

Wait...What?

My question in response to that would be by what "god" does that refer to? Not the God of the Bible for sure because He tells us another story!

In our Churches today this idea seems to be the new "norm." Though we cannot find this teaching in the Word of God. Sometimes it seems that these ideas just appear out of nowhere, but do they? We know that they are "lies" planted by Satan the great deceiver!

We tend to believe what we hear the masses quoting, whether it be within the Church walls or on social media, television or in our own families doesn't seem to matter much. It's human nature to follow the popular consensus, or to hang with the "in" crowd. Though those of us who know from experience that the "in" crowd is most often the "wrong" crowd to be hanging with can quickly see through the madness!

Actually, we as the Church are supposed to set the standard to follow not the other way around. We have taken on the ways and personality of the world in which we live much to our own detriment. Scripture clearly tells us that we are in this world, but not "of" this world. Not that we are aliens from outer space but that our eternal home is not built by human hands, but by our Creator.

Remember that all that we see today will be torn down and re-built by God as it was before sin crept into the paradise that He originally created and intended for mankind. *John 17:15-19*