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QAnon, A Theological View

I understand that QAnon is firing up the internet, but I had not heard of QAnon until a few weeks ago. My interest was stirred up, so I did some research on the web, and from Scripture.

So, what is QAnon?

Here is what I learned.

It is a conspiracy theory group that has been showing up at Trump rallies.

The front cover on the September 12, 2020 issue of World magazine had this statement “**An Apocalyptic Internet Movement Snares unwary Christians and is gaining followers by the thousands.**”

I had seen a few references to **QAnon**, but paid little attention to the “**Q**” movement. However, it is starting to get coverage, and is attracting a lot of Christians.

Doing a little research into **Q**, we find that it is a movement that emphasizes conspiracy theories of every kind, including Satanic theories. The Sept. *Biblicalexaminer* has a picture of a group of Sheriffs meeting VP Pence. One has a red tag on his belt with a black “**Q**” on it.

Let me be clear at the onset: We are not talking about conspiracies, but the conspirators, those who seek to control history. We are talking of rich and powerful men from every walk of life who **have conspired and are conspiring to destroy every vestige of Christianity** not only in these United States, but throughout the world.

There are two well-known verses that tell of the rich and powerful conspiring together against God. Psalms 2 and Acts 4:

Psalms 2:1-3 *Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.*

Commenting on this Psalms 2:1, Spurgeon quotes another verse, Acts 4:27, 28:

Quoting Spurgeon:

Ver. 1. We have, in these first three verses, a description of the hatred of human nature against the Christ of God. No better comment is needed upon it than the apostolic song in #Ac 4:27, 28: "*For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together, for to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done.*" The Psalm begins abruptly with an angry interrogation; and well it may: it is surely but little to be wondered at, that the sight of creatures in arms against their God should amaze the psalmist's mind." (CHS)

That is, the Psalmist finds it amazing that the creatures would take up arms against their Creator.

Four observations:

First, human nature hates the Christ of God.

Second, man's natural inclination is to subvert, or *cast away* all restraints of Godly law and justice. The more power the wicked have, the more subversive weapons they have at their disposal against *the Lord and his anointed*. Those weapons are continually being used in their vain attempt to overthrow the Creator God.

Third, in their foolish and vain effort, the wicked are accomplishing the Tri-une God's predetermined plan in history: We read in Revelation 17:17, *For God hath put in their hearts, that is, the hearts of evil men, to fulfil his will*, and that fulfillment **shall glorify his Son**. Furthermore, the wicked accomplish God's sovereign purpose in his elect as he uses the wicked to form the image of Christ in his people. (Romans 8:28 & 29.)

Fourth, though the powerful believe their subversive ideas are the result of their own *counsel together against the Lord*, in Acts 4 Peter tells those who killed the Son that they only did *whatsoever God's hand and his counsel determined before to be done*. God determined history before the worlds were created.

Psalms 2 tells us that the wicked rulers, the rich and powerful men of this earth conspire together to destroy God's created order. That is, they have a common goal to subvert everything that represents God's law-order: education (which includes history and math, e.g., the "new" math), medicine, science, government, religion, church, justice, family, love, sex, and every area of life one can name, including male and female. The wicked leave no area untouched in their war against God.

But we have this confidence: Though the conspirators of Psalms 2 and their plans against the Lord and his anointed are very evident all around us, the wicked do not realize they are simply carrying out God's plan for the ages, for *God hath put in their hearts to fulfill his good pleasure in history.*

Proverbs 21:1 *The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will.*

That is, the heart of the rich and powerful *is in the hand of the Lord and he turneth it whithersoever he will.* God is controlling every detail of history, down to the falling of a sparrow. God moves history toward fulfilling **Psalms 110:1** *The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.*

Ephesians 1 tells us that Christ is now sitting at God's right hand where he will remain until all things are subdued by the Spirit under his authority. Christ quoted Psalms 110:1 in Matthew 22, Peter referred to it in Acts 2, and the author of Hebrews quoted it twice, 1:13 & 10:13.

How did Q start? No one knows if Q is one person or a group of people.

According to the article in the World magazine, "If you dig down and listen hard enough, there's something there. ... Every lie has some sort of truth built into it."

That is, there is sufficient truth in Q's theories to make them appear legitimate, and the simple are drawn into an endless quest for conspiracies.

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"According to The Associated Press, an anonymous person posted on the online messaging website 4chan in October 2017 claiming to have a high-level government security clearance — a "Q clearance," to be exact — and discussed Trump, Obama, Clinton, political donor George Soros and others. The message was titled, "The Calm Before the Storm," which many believe to be a reference to a meeting Trump had with military leaders earlier that month when he used the same phrase." (World)

Those who follow and pass on "**conspiracy theories**" lack understanding of or totally ignore the fallen nature of man.

Romans 1:21 *Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.*

*22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, 23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. 24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: 25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. 26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: 27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet. 28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; 29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, 30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31 **Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:** 32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.*

That is to say, the fallen nature of the rich and powerful causes them to believe they are god as they follow their *father the devil*. Their *father* is in a war to the death against God in every area of life. When one willfully suppresses the built-in knowledge of God, God turns him over *to a reprobate mind*. In fact, having no conscience and ***without natural affection, the reprobate*** is not only capable of evil deeds that are beyond the imagination of God's Elect, but he takes pleasure in those deeds.

Truth Traps

Because of the obvious facts about government corruption at all levels, the two-tier system of justice, and the overall attack on the freedoms that are guaranteed by the Bill of Rights, the public is receptive to all kinds of conspiracy theories.

Therefore, it seems that the **Q** movement is a result of government corruptions. The "powers that be" are to blame as their lies and actions have justified a spirit of suspicion that the system is rigged in favor of the elite.

Some Examples:

***the Clintons**

- * the immunity of **traitors in high places**
- * **the** open evidence of sodomite and pedophilia agendas in the public schools, &c.;
- * the self-proclaimed Marxists' open declaration to overthrow the government, and the local gods support their efforts.
- * the political machine that seeks to control all elections.
- *The fake news. **The national media** has proven itself to be an unreliable source of information, so people are turning to the internet.
- * **The medical establishment's hatred** of Hydroxychloroquine. HQ has been used for the past century, and has been proven to be a safe and effective treatment for Covid-19. (<https://www.cnn.com/2020/07/02/health/hydroxychloroquine-coronavirus-detroit-study/index.html>)

However, the medical establishment has waged an all-out war against HQ as various pharmaceutical companies race to produce the first approved vaccine against Covid-19. At stake is billions of dollars' profit for the pharmaceutical industry. (The pharisaical refused to try to develop a vaccine unless they were provided with immunity from the deaths that will be caused by their vaccines. There are disturbing reports of what those vaccines might contain and do to the human body.)

Situations such as the war against HQ has given much credence to the idea that there is a conspiracy by the medical establishment to withhold effective treatments from the public. Follow the money.

And the list goes on and on with things that appear to prove that "conspiracies" control history.

The Q group "is just hitting the right audience at the right time given the right circumstance," Joseph Uscinski, a University of Miami professor who co-authored the book "American Conspiracy Theories," told The Associated Press. He said the topics appeal to many who are already inclined to believe conspiracy theories. It is a sign of the times, for **people have no solid place to stand. They have no firm reality of what is going on around them.** (World)

QAnon growth

Eschatological views have consequences.

Conspiracy theories seem to have a particular attraction for the unsaved and for those who follow the Dispensational faith, for neither appear to be able to grasp the truth of scripture that all history is controlled by God; all history is working God's good pleasure as he subdues all the world to the Son. Both the unsaved and the followers of the Dispensational faith believe that

man controls history, and that the world will end in a great cataclysmic event. **From 1972-1975, I served as an associate pastor under a Dispensational pastor who believed conspiracies control history.**

On the other hand, the Biblical faith says that the nations shall be subdued to Christ through the preaching of the everlasting Gospel of Peace. (Matt 28:19, 20, Mr 16:15)

Four of many proof passages:

Psalms 86:9 *All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name.*

Habakkuk 2:3 *For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry. 14 For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.*

1 Corinthians 15:24 *Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. 25 For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.)*

All of Daniel chapter 4, which we will not read.

The Biblical faith requires that one must not judge according to appearances, but judgment must be according to God's promises. (**John 7:24**. How can one ignore Hebrews 11?)

Though appearances tell us that all is lost for the cause of Christ and the world must end in a great cataclysmic event, faith tells us that all things are working together to place *all his enemies under his feet*. Habakkuk tells us *we must wait for it; because his promise of the world-wide knowledge of the Lord will **surely come to pass*** in its proper time.

I have noticed that those who strongly hold to the historic orthodox faith wonder what all the fuss over QAnon is about.

The actions of those identified by **Q** as conspirators, **that is, those who believe they can control history with their wealth and power**, are often rightly identified. Powerful men like **Bill Gates** who desires to vaccinate everyone; men like **George Soros** who uses his vast wealth to install radical Marxist people in places of authority; powerful tech giants like **Zuckerburg** who are intent on destroying "free" speech so they can control public opinion and policy; socialists' effort to overthrow the USA and install Marxism as openly stated by **BLM**;

politicians who have publicly state their intention to destroy **The Bill of Rights**, and the list goes on.

Q believes in massive conspiracies in the media and in the so-called “deep state” that are intent on taking down Trump. Because of the many government coverups, secrets and misused power, the **Q faith** is spreading. One cannot determine how many “conspiracy theories” are based on truth and how many are based on rumors and maybe even based upon slander against those who are hatred.

“In the pandemic Lockdown, QAnon accounts exploded in popularity as people spent more time online,” (World) and the various conspiracy theories are spread.

Theologically, what is wrong with QAnon?

QAnon’s MAJOR problem is that it teaches that conspiracies, or rather **the conspirators** control history. As Christians, we cannot even entertain the idea that conspiracies control history without denying the Christian faith. Every detail of history, even the death of a sparrow, was established before the world was created. History was established in the *counsel determined* by the Tri-Une God before even the words of Genesis 1:1.

Ephesians 1:4 *According as he hath chosen us in him **before** the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:*

Christ was crucified before the foundation of the world, and all the events that crucifixion entails were established.

Hebrews 4: 3 *For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although **the works were finished from the foundation of the world.***

We are told in Revelation 13, that God gave the beast the power to blaspheme his name and to wage war with the saints and to overcome them, as was clearly prophesied by Daniel.

Considering Revelation 17:8, *and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, **we must ask**, are who believe that conspiracies control history written in the book of life from the foundation of the world?* We are told in Revelation 17:17 that God is the one who controls the heart of even the most wicked as he gives them the desire to **fulfill his will** with their wicked deeds:

For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.

However, their wrath is totally under God's control as it works to serve him:

Psalms 76:10 *Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain.*

Four answer for QAnon

First, mankind is commanded to learn of Christ, for the Word of God alone can bring rest for the soul.

Matthew 11:29 *Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.*

Second, perfect peace is the result of building one's trust through studying the Word of God.

Isaiah 26:3 *Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.*

Third, rather than seeking after and studying secret "conspiracies," men are to renounce that temptation.

2 Corinthians 4:2 *But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty...*

Fourth, replace studying the *secret things* with studying the clearly revealed things of the Lord to learn his plan for our lives, our families, our society and for the nations of the world.

Deuteronomy 29:29 *The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.*

Final note:

All fundamental errors and heresies in the Church may be traced to our Lord's words, ***Ye do err, not knowing the Scriptures***. Partial truth leads to error. In 1846, Charles Bridges made this point, **Truth separated from truth becomes error**.

This message by Rev Ovid Need will be posted on YouTube and sermonaudio.com/providence.
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