# **His Background**

Hinn says that God first appeared to him, and after this appearance returns to appear to him throughout his life. Hinn also says that he was saved at the age 20 in a Kathryn Kuhlman (healer) service when "he has a profound experience".

## His Deceptions and Lies

Hinn raised \$30-\$35 million dollars for a healing center in Dallas, Texas that was to open in 2001, but never opened even though the money was raised. Hinn has no boundaries to what he will do or say in order the raise money. Benny Hinn (and all in his movement) believe and promote the idea that God always grants all the desires of a person when that person gives money to God's servants, and especially when they give a lot of money. In Acts 8:14-23, the Bible teaches that God condemns people with this concept.

Hinn says that Jesus is appearing in Muslim countries. On April 2, 2000, he said that Jesus Christ will come on the platform of his show in Nairobi, Kenya. Sure, he didn't appear, but that is no problem for Hinn that repeated the same lie before many of his shows. Matthew 24:23-27 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth; behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

# **His Authority**

Hinn says that he himself has received new knowledge through new revelation that God has directly given to him, even though in recent years he has supposedly received less because of all the criticism he has received over the issue. When he spoke for God (according to Hinn), God took control of his mind and tongue until at one point he says he was "drunk in the spirit" and someone had to tell him what he had said.<sup>1</sup>



Among his followers, Hinn has established that he himself is the vehicle through which God is communicating to mankind today. In Toronto Canada on March 29, 2000, he said that God was going to send fire from heaven on the people in his show that day. The platform was full of young people, upon whom supposed fell the Holy Spirit. Acts 2 was the imposition most powerful of the Holy Spirit, and it says nothing about people falling under the influence of the Holy Spirit (the Holy Spirit fell on them, they did not fall).

According to Mat. 3:11, and Luke 3:16, this was the baptism of fire that God promised (Revelation 13:13-14 "And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on earth in the sight of men, and deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword and did live.").

16:14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty." Hinn said, "If we stop giving new revelation, we are dead." This shows his way of working, always presenting novelties to entertain. He does not preach the Bible but makes up what entertains the crowds. Hinn was a preacher and pastor under the Assemblies of God. But this group rebuked him for his heresies, and Hinn abandoned various teachings. The important point here is that Hinn declared this teaching he abandoned as having come directly from new revelation from God to him, and he himself renounced these teachings. Afterwards he returned to teaching them, and lately the Assemblies of God have distanced themselves from him.

### **His Doctrinal Heresies**

<u>God</u> – He says that each person of the Trinity has his own body, soul, and spirit, equally that each one has their own will (TBN Oct/13/90). He arrived the conclusion that there are 9 parts of God then. When he received a lot of pressure for his commentaries, he said, "It was a good joke." But afterwards he returned to teach the same thing as a revelation of God.

Man-Gods — Hinn follows the Word of Faith movement in believing and teaching that in the act of being saved, God gives us a new man-spirit that comes from within us, and that before the foundation of the world (like Jesus Christ), and because of this, we become gods, just like God the Father or Jesus. We transform ourselves to be gods. He says, "I am God, but we are different from God (no the same person), but we are equally divine as God after we are saved (TBN Dec/1/90). He speaks of the first superman that could fly up to the moon (TBN Dec/26/91). The Bible says that we are the sons of God, but never says that we are gods (Gen 3:5 this is a lie of the devil from the garden).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> **1 Corinthians 14:32** *The spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets.* The only falling we see in the Bible is in the case of a person possessed by a demon (**Mat. 17:15**). God's people have the gift of self-control, **Gal 5:23**.

# Jesus took upon himself the nature of Satan—Hinn says tat Jesus took upon himself the nature of Satan, and the Jesus had to be born again. He says that the death of Jesus was insufficient to save us, and that Jesus had to go to hell after his death and suffer tortures by Satan and the demons for three days. Salvation according to Hinn was affected during and after these three days in hell, and not on the cross. Jesus said on the cross, "It is finished" John 19:30. He believes in the false doctrine that Jesus died spiritually in hell, and that is very popular among this group.

Weird stuff – He says that the Egyptians did not die in the Red Sea by drowning, but because ice fell on them (TBN Jul/14/94). He says that originally God had made the women to reproduce children through her side, not as is today. On October 19, 1999, Hinn declared the people watching TBN (the TV station that promotes the Word of Faith movement) who were dead would be raised from the dead by the power of the station. Literally he said, the families of these dead people are going to bring the caskets of their dead to the TV station to see them raised from the dead.

In a healing service, Hinn threw the "Holy Spirit" over a group of people in the platform and as always, they fell to the ground. A man fell over an elderly lady, and broke her hip, y later died in the hospital from this fracture. Hinn did not heal the lady of course, and later her family sued Hinn, and Hinn paid the fine. This is not the only example of people being hurt in his services from "slain in the Holy Spirit," and later Hinn cannot heal them. We note that Hinn promotes union with the Catholic Church, and Pope John Paul II gave to Hinn gifts and recognitions.

# **Hinn's False Prophesies**

Hinn like many other false prophets is constantly receiving visions and revelations like Paul, Peter, John, or Moses. But Hinn's prophecies have not come to pass. For example, in 1989, he said Fidel Castro would die in 1990, and that all the homosexuals in the USA would be destroyed by

fire in 1996. In the two cases Hinn said emphatically that God revealed these things to him in prophecy. On April 2, 2000, Hinn said that God was going to do something important in Israel when "soon" Israel was going to sign a pact with the sick king of Syria, Hafez Al-Assad. Later before he could do anything, Al-Assad died on June 10, 2000. This shows Hinn did not know what he was saying, and the source of his information and revelation is not God.

Jeremías 14:14 Then the LORD said unto me, the prophets prophesy lies in my name: I sent them not, neither have I commanded them, neither spake unto them: they prophesy unto you a false vision and divination, and a thing of nought, and the deceit of their heart. See also Ezekiel 13.2-9

## Necromancy<sup>2</sup>

Necromancy is related with witchcraft, and it is the supposedly consulting of dead people or dead people's spirits. This practice is expressly prohibited in the Bible. Hinn says that he has seen dead saints. In one case saw Kathryn Kuhlman<sup>3</sup> talking even though she was dead. Isaiah 8:19-20 asks "should not a people seek unto their God? For the living to the dead?" Ecclesiastes 9:5-6 says, "the dead know not any thing" and "neither have they any more portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun." God has simply made it that the dead cannot communicate with us. The Bible presents the dead as "sleeping" 4, out of touch with the things of this world. They have no contact with the living of this world.

His heroes, friends, and coworkers are Oral Roberts, Kathryn Kuhlman, Aimee Semple McPhearson, Kenyon, Kenneth Hagin, and Kenneth Copeland.

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Not given to filthy lucre... teaching things which they ought not, for filthy's lucre's sake. Even a prophet of their own said the Cretians are always liars, evil beasts, slow bellies" **Titus 1:7-12** 

Is Benny Hinn a great man of God filled with faith, gifted with the powers of healing, and doing miracles or is he a false prophet? Well, the truth is that he is no man of God, because every true man of God obeys the will of God and follows the Word of God. Hinn was pastor of the church, "Orlando Christian Center" in Orlando Florida, and later pastored "World Outreach Church" and after that "Faith World Church" when he launched himself into evangelism. He is the source and spokesman for the Word of Faith movement. Hinn takes in 100 million dollars a year, and lives in a \$3.5 million dollar mansion, and stays in \$2000/night hotels. He wrote "Good morning Holy Spirit," which was very popular and sold 250,000 copies in the first two months.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> **Necromancy** – consulting or asking help or information from dead human beings. Deu 18:10-12 says this is an abomination to the Lord.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Kart Koch wrote a book, "ABCs of Occultism" in 1978. His conclusion is that Kuhlman was a spiritist, and her healings were fraudulent, when on examines them with calmness.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 1 Cor 11:30; 15:6, 51; 1 Thes. 4:13.