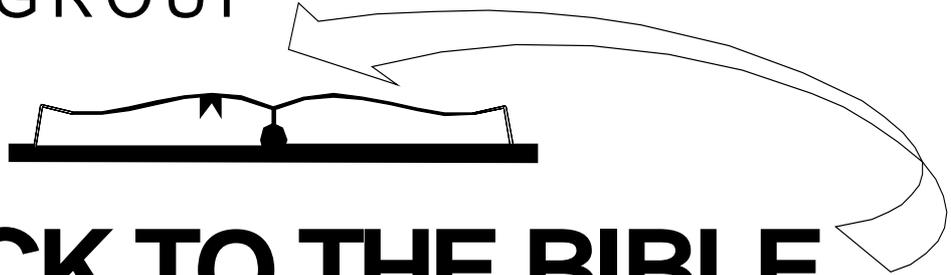


# WORKGROUP



# BACK TO THE BIBLE

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Dear brothers, sisters, pastors and elders,  
Several reactions came in after we restarted the publications of the workgroup. Springtime 2005 we started our own website, assisted by a Belgian brother, who knows much more about computers than we do. New readers found us and made contact. So we start this letter with a few reactions.

### ***Reactions readers.***

*"Wonderful, that you and your wife are in better health now. And glad you can restart the work."*

*"Sending back to you the book and the article. I followed the outlines of the book and read the article. Now I know how to answer the questions. Thank you for the quick "service".*

*" Great, you will take up your task (I take it that is the way you see it) and dispatch your letters in a darkening Holland. I am thankful for that, both for you and for me. I send you a gift (15 euro). Wishing you Gods blessing and comforting communion".*

*Thank you very much for the extensive answer about the movement Soulsurvivor. A group of young people of our church is taking part there. Also a group of grown-ups is going there for a day, to investigate. I hope the report will be positive. But.....to much enthusiasm is always bothering me a bit and also falling in the spirit, especially when they fall backwards. Falling face-down while worshipping God, I can understand that. But backwards and on top of that making animal noises.... I think that is creepy".*

*"Good to receive again material of the workgroup Back to the Bible. I just moved house, this is my new address...."*

*"Thank you very much for your publication The blood of Jesus, very good reading material. We have a question, maybe you can tell us something about it: What is prosperity? We hear about it, but do not know, what it is". Answer: This is an English expression. During the last years this term has been connected to some American preachers, such as Morris Cerullo and Bennie Hinn. They are*

*called prosperity-preachers. They tell us: if you are a Christian, who gives money, then God is obliged to bless your finances, as much in private as in your business-life. Of course you should give your money to the right persons, meaning themselves.."*

*"With a thankful heart I want to thank you for restarting the letters. We do need them badly, also here in Belgium. I pray God will keep blessing the work."*

*"Respected and beloved brethren,*

*I want to thank you for the interesting and truthful information, you have been passing on during the last few years. Also I am glad with your initiative to send new studies about subjects like The blood of Jesus. Very valuable! I hope you will keep it up in that direction and also will send out again critical reactions when deception enters and threatens the Christian church. I pray God will keep blessing your health and testimony in this world. Working together, yours in endless love and peace." From Belgium.*

*"Quite recently somebody drew our attention to the publications of Ary Geelhoed. They were criticising him, but we can hardly find anything wrong in his writings. Actually we find in his writings exactly what we now experience in our church. Moreover we see the numbers diminishing in our church. Last winter much money has been spend on the course: How to become a Christian? Next winter another course was planned, but that plan was not carried out, people were not interested."*

*"Taken out of a long telephone call- no direct rendering- about studying the book The Purpose Driven Church written by Rick Warren. We started with an open heart and during the course we became really enthusiastic. Yes, this was it, we decided. A good acquaintance of ours became doubtful about the contents of the book. We heard about that and went to him for information. No, he did not agree. In the meantime he had collected information from the internet and gave that to us at the end of the evening, so we could study it. We, my wife and I, did so very carefully and step by step we came to the same conclusion as our friend. We passed on our changed views on the contents of the book to the leaders of our (very big) church. Sadly, we did not come to an agreement. As for us it is clear, we have to take our distance from Rick Warren and his book. In our church this was taken in bad part. This makes us very sad."*

*"Out of another long phone call, a member of another church. A beloved member of the family, who is also a serious Christian, is very enthusiastic about Rick Warren and his methods. In his church, a very large one, as far as building and church members are concerned, they took away the cross out of the church-hall. Reason: to lower the barrier for the visitors, the cross might frighten the people! Everything possible is done, to make the people feel at home. And it works, the number of visitors keeps growing. Also the number of church members is going up. Regularly the visitors are invited to follow growth courses. After finishing those courses they may become members of the church. Rien, what do your people think about this, what am I to do?"*

Answer: You are not the only one, who is troubled about this. In the Netherlands, as in neighbouring countries, there are several Christians, who put question marks at the methods of Rick Warren. As workgroup we are studying the Warrenism and are writing about it. In the meantime keep praying."

### **The Warrenism ( teachings of Rick Warren).**

The reason why we are dealing with this subject will be clear to the readers. And if somebody still wonders what is the use of it: we want them to know, that Warrenism rages like a storm over the Netherlands and Belgium. If you have not read the two study books of Rick Warren, you are in danger of being considered backwards. In many churches "The Purpose Driven Life" and "The Purpose Driven Church" are studied in small groups (or big ones) and the principles are put into practice straight away. That does not mean that all crosses are removed from the church hall, but clearly lowering of the barrier in preaching the message is taking place. The end of September 2005, there has been a leaders conference in Lelystad (the Netherlands). Via big television screens Rick Warren and Bill Hybels have been speaking in the church the Pijler. Leaders and teams of elders were enthusiastic, about 1000 people were gathered. We will not offer you a distorted and one sided picture, so we give the word to other researchers of the Warrenism. We will only refer to these apologetics (defenders of the teaching of God), to limit the length of this letter. First we will give you an index:

### **Index letter nr.28**

**1.0 website Marc Verhoeven from Belgium**

**2.0 website drs.K.van Berghem**

**3.0 website Ary Geelhoed review books Rick Warren**

**4.0 opinions from an English and a number of American theologians**

**5.0 opinion workgroup Back to the Bible**

### **1.0 Website Marc Verhoeven Belgium.**

For some years he has been researching false teachings in the Christian world. He has developed an extensive site. Visit his site and you will find a large, interesting assortment. His articles are all in the Dutch language. Often he has translated them from the English language. Amongst these there are three articles concerning the Warrenism:

"The Purpose Driven Church" from Biblical Discernment Ministries.

"The New and Renewed Church" from Let Us Reason Together.

"Church Growth Movement and Purpose Driven Church versus the Bible" from James Sundquist.

None of these articles offers a positive picture of Warrenism, on the contrary, all these writers are concerned about the impact of this new theological movement

in America and in other countries. James Sundquist has written his objection clearly set out in two columns, Warrenism on the left and the truth of the Bible on the right side. He also wrote a book about the subject: "Who is driving the Purpose Driven Church?". Summarising we find the writers are very troubled by this fact: man as the centre of the universe in Warrenism. Everything is being adapted to please the unsaved person, no negative message may be preached. Teaching biblical theology is from satan, the preacher has to speak about the actual needs of the unsaved listener. Examples of these needs: pain, psychological problems, distress, worries, fear, etc. See: [www.verhoevenmarc.be](http://www.verhoevenmarc.be) (only Dutch articles)

## **2.0 Website drs. van Berghem.**

He emphasizes strongly the possibility of New Age elements in the ministry of Rick Warren. He sees signs of this in a new book of an American Mr Smith, (Warren Smith!), a Christian, saved out the New Age movement. In his new book "Deceived on Purpose", Smith warns the evangelical church against Warrenism. See: [www.oncedelivered.org](http://www.oncedelivered.org) (only Dutch articles)

## **3.0 Website Ary Geelhoed with reviews books Rick Warren.**

This apologist, who started his work at about the same time as the workgroup Back to the Bible, also studied the Warrenism. In two separate reviews he presents his findings about the books of Rick Warren. His extensive reports and conclusions are not inviting to be jubilant about the new movement. See his website: [www.solcon.nl/apgeelhoed/](http://www.solcon.nl/apgeelhoed/) (only Dutch articles)

## **4.0 Viewpoints of an English and a couple of American theologians.**

...Dr.Larry Spargimino of the Southwest Radio Church Ministries writes: Some time ago we did a survey via our website and asked: " What is your opinion about the movement of the Purpose Driven Church?" This was the result:

12% I do not know that movement.

9% I think it is beneficial and will save souls.

64% I think it is more harmful than beneficial.

5% We have it at our church and it is has been a success.

2% We have it at our church and it has caused problems.

6% We have it at our church and it has caused serious problems.

2% Reactions nowhere to place.

The writer ends his brochure as follows: "I have written this booklet in an attempt to help readers gain an understanding of what the Purpose Driven Movement is all about. I have sought to provide documentation from Purpose Driven teachers, commentary and observations from myself and others. Above all I have tried to appeal to the Word of God....However don't let me be your final authority. Check these things out for yourself." See his website:

[www.swrc.com](http://www.swrc.com)

...Richard Bennett of the Berean Beacon Ministry. This Irishman is a born again ex priest of the Roman Catholic Church. He studied theology in Dublin and in Rome and for seven years was a missionary in Trinidad. By means of reading and studying the Bible he became a believer. After leaving the Roman Catholic Church in 1986 he settled in America and there started his present ministry: the Beacon of Berea. That name shows, that he also has given much attention to Warrenism. His conclusion runs into two parts. Richard says: Rick Warren is preaching a false gospel, a gospel wherein the "goodness" of man is situated in the centre. He does not point the readers to their sinful and lost state, but paints before their eyes a bright and wonderful picture of self. Also Rick Warren lowers the divine nature and adjusts the divine nature more or less to the nature of man. See the website: [www.bereanbeacon.org](http://www.bereanbeacon.org)

...Dennis W. Costella, editor of the magazine Foundation of Fundamental Evangelistic Association in America. On the website he analyses the book Purpose Driven Life of Rick Warren. The following is a part of his conclusions: *"The Purpose Driven Life may contain some helpful, Biblical truths, but it cannot be trusted to lead a believer on a spiritual journey that is completely true and faithful to the Word and will of God. Why? Because Warren often misinterprets Scripture to his own advantage, conjoins untrustworthy, humanistic psychological principles with Biblical truths, minimises the importance of sound doctrine, deems holiness and biblical separation as less important than love and unity, refers to enemies of the faith as positive contributors to one's spiritual journey and promotes his entire Purpose Driven program. For these and other reasons, believers cannot trust the Purpose Driven Life and churches should refrain from participating in the 40 Days of Purpose campaigns."*

...David Cloud of The Fundamental Baptist Service also has placed on his website a similar article about Warrenism, from Dennis W. Costella. We refer to this article to show, that also in Baptist circles there are objections. See the website: [www.wayoflife.org](http://www.wayoflife.org)

...Merv Tucker in an article on the website of Moriel Ministries in Great Britain. Rick Warren claims that in the Bible God often uses a period of fourty days to teach somebody something. This claim is analysed rather detailed by Merv Tucker and his evaluation is negative. Then he analyses in the same careful way the first eight days in the book. Also this assessment is negative. At the end he says: *"I would not recommend this book. I know that there are those who may feel that this analysis is critical and unloving, that there are some good points in The Purpose Driven Life. There will also be those who say we should not judge, and there are scriptures that talk about not judging others, I freely acknowledge that. However, those scriptures are not about judging in regard to doctrine, false teachers are false prophets. In fact, the New Testament talks twice as much about wrong doctrine as it does about wrong conduct. Why? Because wrong doctrine leads to wrong conduct. Paul names people who are responsible for*

*wrong doctrine. 2 Timothy 2:17-18, 2 Timothy 4:14, 1 Timothy 1: 20 and in Galatians 1:8 Paul says "But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let him be eternally condemned! As we have already said, so now I say again: if anyone is preaching a gospel other than what you have accepted, let him be eternally condemned". The most unloving thing we could do is not to warn people about false teaching." See the website: [www.moriel.org](http://www.moriel.org)*

## **5.0 Point of view workgroup Back to the Bible.**

None of the mentioned apologists (defenders of the teaching of God) offer a positive picture of Warrenism. As workgroup we are shocked about the influence of this teaching and the way it is spreading rapidly. The unbelieving person is "tempted" to become a believer by studying the book "The Purpose Driven Life" by Rick Warren. This may sound somewhat mysterious, if you have not read the book or have not heard about it. Rick Warren explains in his book how to live purposefully, by following his advices. There are forty separate chapters, he numbers them from day one to day forty. According to him, forty days is the time used by God to teach something to somebody. By studying his examples it dawns on us he makes a mistake here. Practically nowhere in the Bible such a period is mentioned. This forty days period has just been made up by the writer to give his book a more "christian" outlook. We will give a further explanation of the standpoint of the workgroup and give you ten headpoints.

### **5.1 What is the source of Warren's wisdom?**

His followers tell us: of course his source is the Bible. He himself will fully endorse that. There are many bible texts in his books and he believes the Bible is God's Word. So what more do you want? "Back to the Bible" indeed, wants more. Because Rick Warren, in his two books, does not give a bible study, but his own study. He does not take a part of the Bible, explaining how the reader should live, according to that part. No, he gives the reader his opinion about something and then tells them which texts to read to prove this opinion. Nearly all texts in his book have been taken out of context to ratify his ideas and meanings. Using the Bible in this way in theology is forbidden.

Prosperity teachers like Benny Hinn, Morris Cerullo, Kenneth Copeland, Rodney Howard-Browne use the same method and by doing so, fool their listeners.

Even more alarming, is the fact that Rick Warren in his books makes use of several bible translations. He uses fifteen different translations, among them paraphrase translations. These are not real translations like the KJV and the NIV. That are "help bibles", like Good News. These paraphrase translations are written to explain texts and therefore filled with the meanings of the makers. For that reason they can't be used in the church to substitute the Bible. This is no problem for Rick Warren. The listener must not be confronted with difficulties and so he advises the use of paraphrase bibles. We think, this is underestimating

the intellectual ability of the listeners. We do not advise the use of these translations in the churches. Hardly anybody will possess and carry with them different translations and so one can't read or reread what the preacher has said. In the Bible we are encouraged to test, not to accept everything uncritically.(1Thessalonians 5:19,20) In many churches this problem (of not being able to read) is solved by the use of beamers. The bible texts, used by the preacher, appear on a big screen during the sermon. You don't need to bring a Bible, everything is beamed, also the hymns. This could make us a bit lazy, that is a disadvantage.

## **5.2 What is Rick Warren's background?**

So we find this method is really having a big impact on readers and listeners. We then wonder what great theological education has Rick followed? Especially because he is followed by ten thousands of pastors and elders. Surely, all these persons will not follow a man uncritically? In 1980 Rick Warren finished his study at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth in Texas, so he is an ordained Baptist preacher. Straight after his training he moved to California, where he started the now famous Saddleback Church. In 1995 this church was to be the Baptist church of the year, also because of the quick growth with thousands of members. Did the preacher learn the quick growth method during his theological training, or did he find this method somewhere else? Was it a god given revelation, assigning him to make use of this method? No, the only spiritual reason was that he longed for growth in his new church and for it to be full with non believers. Now this is an absolutely commendable pursuit, nothing wrong with it.

We do have doubts though about the worldly business method he used. For advise to reach his clients he turned to unbelieving management trainers and unbelieving sales managers. In this case the clients are unbelievers, who must be tempted to accept his product, the gospel. People were astonished, because the Baptist preacher was very successful with this acquired method. His church was filled to the brim with people and his organisation was perfect. Being so successful, he thought it necessary and also was asked to teach this method to other pastors. This also was very successful. Literally many thousands attended his conferences and seminars and embraced his methods. And this is going on up till now. Who would dare to contradict this successful leader? The method works, the numbers are terrific, so it has to be spiritual and according to the Bible?! Or, are we missing out on something?

## **5.3 The gospel of Rick Warren is not pure wine.**

When the message of the Saddleback Church reaches the unbelieving listener, quite a lot of water has been added. All unpleasant matters, such as sin, sanctification, obedience to God, has been sifted out. Doctrinal matters are no longer mentioned, only the personal needs of the unbelievers. The preachers get to know this needs by means of questionnaires. The underlying idea is, that it must be made easy for the unsaved people, to join the church. For that reason all

disturbing things must be omitted. That is why some churches remove the cross from the church hall. Now this is not really shocking, a church is able to function without a cross in the hall. But some churches seem to take offence at the cross and that is a bad sign. Paul says: "*I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile.*" Rom.1:16 and in the letter to the Galatians he writes: "*May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.*" Gal.6:14

#### **5.4 Friendship and appreciation for dr. Schuller.**

A special ingredient of the gospel wine is the psychological conception of self esteem of dr. Schuller. As Rick Warren regularly visited the seminar and is a good friend of the famous preacher, this is no wonder. Dr. Schuller also is a successful preacher, over the whole world there are 60 million viewers of his Hour of Power programs. He also is one who does not want to mention the word sin during the services. On the contrary, dr. Schuller thinks that the worst sin is, to call a person a sinner. To do so is belittling to a human being and weakening to his self esteem. According to dr. Schuller this has been preached wrongly for ages and has to be put right now. He calls this a New Reformation, seen against the Reformation of Luther and Calvin. So, what these men have taught and many of us have learned, is irrelevant, according to dr. Schuller. Probably, many of us have, some time or another, watched the program of the Hour of Power on Sunday morning. Actually, these are fine and interesting services to watch. Dr. Schuller is a friendly preacher, never being sharp, or saying an unpleasant thing about the human race. But his message is purely humanistic and completely focused on the human being. A Bible portion is being read, but hardly or not at all used for the preaching. His aim is to convince his listeners of their self esteem and then of their possibilities to live successful lives. To prove his idea of a New Reformation, he always introduces a guest in his services. Sometimes this guest is clearly a born again Christian, but usually it is an unbelieving, but very successful woman or man. As workgroup we did write already extensively about the ministry of dr. Schuller. Our conclusion then was: dr. Schuller is a liberal preacher. Since that time our point of view has not been changed. We dare to repeat, that the viewer of the Hour of Power is watching a humanistic preacher, who does not believe in the reconciling blood of Jesus Christ. He summons the people to believe in Jesus Christ, but only to strengthen your self esteem and to make man successful. Does Rick Warren not use his spiritual discernment?

#### **5.5 Rick Warren is not fussy, when it comes to teaching, if something works it is all right.**

Several apologists, in America as well as in other parts of the world, have noticed that elements of New Age are found in his methods. The last decade this movement is gaining ground in the world. Even amongst Christians people are less inclined to keep their distance. New Age is not a distinct denomination, nor

is it a structured entity. The following matters are linked to New Age: astrology, spiritism, channeling, transcendent meditation, reincarnation, yoga, visualisation, reiki, sorcery, etc. Many courses are offered about these occult matters. Possibly it is not difficult for you, to leave these matters alone. Also you will not find them in the books of Rick Warren. But the problem is, he cooperates closely with Ken Blanchard. This man has links with a few New Age people. Christians in America warned Rick Warren for this man. They drew his attention to several positive, recommending forewords written by Ken Blanchard in New Age books. (see among others website: [www.abanes.com](http://www.abanes.com)). In spite of this, Rick Warren maintained Ken Blanchard as speaker on his conferences. Ary Geelhoed on his website wrote about this matter. For whom it concerns, the magazine *Uitdaging* has written extensively about the matter in the July, August, September editions.(2005) Some American Christians do not agree with the use of the paraphrase translation "the Message" in his books. This "Bible" is known in America as a translation with New Age concepts. Rick Warren should have considered that when he choose this translation. Perhaps these New Age "contacts"are caused by carelessness. But it does not leave a reliable impression.

**5.6 Contact with Rick Warren is not without obligations.**

During the ages many books have been written by preachers. As writers they have put their thoughts on paper, hoping the readers would learn something by studying their books. Yet never there has been a theologian, who "compels" his readers to reach an agreement with him before reading his book! Yes, that is what it says. On one of the first pages of the book *The Purpose Driven Life* you read the following words:

**My agreement**

With the help of God I will use the next 40 days to discover God's purpose with my life.

.....

Your name

.....

Signed Rick Warren

So Rick Warren wants every reader to link up with him. In terms of worldly selling techniques this is called client commitment. Also it is not the first time this occurs. In churches where people adhere to Warrenism, one is asked to sign certain matters on a regular basis. Concerning finances one has to write down the amount of money, that will be donated to the church on a regular basis. In most "ordinary" churches only the treasurer is given insight in these matters. Not so with Rick Warren, he wants to see all promises personally and he wants to know, who promised what.

**5.7 Rick Warren, Rick Warren and Rick Warren only.**

As far as we know, in the movement of Warrenism, no other name is known, next to his name. When in the past, there was in our country a beloved preacher with a special message, sometimes, his followers would go from one church to another, to hear him. More level headed and faithful bible believers did not like that and talked scornfully about it. We are astonished to see something similar happen now. Thousands of church members have detected via his books and conferences a "good" preacher and have started to follow him.

Rick Warren is not a modest preacher, he calls his book a guide. At the beginning of his book the Purpose Driven Life, he says: "This is more than a book, this is a guide that in a spiritual journey of 40 days will enable you to answer the most important question of all. Why for heaven's sake am I on earth? We wonder, if this is the most important life concerning question. Apart from that, Rick Warren now puts himself forward as a life guide. And that we think, is a perilous attitude. Imagine, the guide is making a mistake, who is correcting him? Quite a few disastrous stories are known about this matter. There is only one guide for our lives here on earth. *"Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and set down at the right hand of the throne of God."* Hebrews 12 :2

### **5.8 Rick Warren still wants more.**

Not only he wants be the life guide for his Saddleback church and for other American churches, no, he wants to become guide of the world. On the second of November 2003, he unfolds his new plan, the P.E.A.C.E. plan. *"We are going global, it is time to bless the whole world."*, says Rick Warren. To his listeners in the Saddleback church, he says emphatically: "You are not here by accident, *God wants to use everyone to accomplice the P.E.A.C.E. Plan.*

Rick Warren's 5-Step P.E.A.C.E. plan:

P lant Churches

E quip Leaders

A ssist the Poor

C are for the sick

E ducate the Next Generation

Nothing wrong with it, neither is it a spectacular plan. These five points have been tackled for ages by missionaries and churches. A striking feature is Rick Warren's emphasis on the fact that his plan must bring peace to the world. And he stresses the fact, that this is a plan of God and by doing so he claims that his plan is plausible. The Bible speaks about finding peace, peace of the heart. *"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."* Galatians 5:22 But the Bible also says: *"Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword."* Math.10:34 If Rick Warren really means to attain world wide peace with his plan, we as a workgroup have serious doubts about it. That Warrenism takes its mission seriously, is made clear by the ambitious approach after the unfolding of the P.E.A.C.E. plan on 2 November 2003.

## **5.9 Rick Warren, one of the world leaders.**

Advertisement in one of the Christian magazines in the Netherlands:

### **GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2005**

Lelystad, 30 september and 1 October

It is clear, Rick Warren is marching on. This advertisement is impressive. He already speaks via the television for 60.000 church leaders in 130 towns, in 11 different countries. Who is going to stop this man, or are we all going after him, with the motto: "follow the leader?"

### **5.10 Jesus Christ the author and perfecter of our faith.**

Let us follow Him and not Rick Warren. Let us close his books, put them away and open the Bible. Both books of Rick Warren together contain about 750 pages. An average complete Bible covers about 1500 pages. This is our advice: after closing the books about Warrenism, now read 750 pages of the Bible. After succeeding doing that, you have read in a "rather" short time about half of the Bible. We are convinced, you will be more invigorated spiritually than after reading 750 pages of the books "A Purpose Driven Church" and the book "A Purpose driven Life". Finally we advice you to read the other half, the other 750 pages of the Bible. Your life will be greatly enriched. *"For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account".* Hebrews 4:12

When reading this letter from the workgroup, you will notice the fact, that the gospel of the cross is under further attack. To counter-attack this, please do not forget the letter nr.27 "The Blood of Jesus". Read and study this subject, to keep a clear eye on the Cross. Please activate other Christians to read the article. We hope and pray they also will preserve or develop a clear vision on precious truths.

### **Consulted books and websites.**

The purpose driven Life, Rick Warren, 2003 ISBN90-6353-413-2 USA  
The purpose driven Church, Rick Warren, 2003 ISBN 90-6353-406-x USA  
The Purpose Driven Church, dr.Larry Spargimino, Ph.D. USA  
Deceived on Purpose, Warren Smtih, 2004 ISBN 0-9763492-0-5 USA  
Running Against the Wind, Brian Flynn, 2005 ISBN 0-97215124-9 USA  
Internet: Diverse websites mentioned in the letter

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