- 5- When the majority of a population thinks evil, it demands evil from its government and consequently elects evil leaders.
- 6- Individually the people of our Client Nation have been conquered by evil and that defeat is reflected in the quality and character of those who run for public office.
- 7- Our body politic is corrupt. It knowingly elects corrupt leaders no matter what their stripe. Proof the national fabric rots!
- 8- One of the buzz phrases of the current political rhetoric is that disenchanted Republicans will in the end "come home" to George Bush. What needs to happen if meaningful recovery is going to occur is for believers to "come home" to Jesus Christ and Bible doctrine.

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This is going to become increasingly more difficult to do. Those employed by the government in years to come will not be able to stand fast for doctrine without grave consequences; Christian businessmen in order to stay in business will be challenged to capitulate to strong-arm tactics of bureaucrats; believers in the labor force will be intimidated to support certain candidates against their will out of fear of losing their jobs; the clergy will be tempted to tone-down their criticisms of government so as not to invite investigations from the IRS or some agency commissioned to insure "political correctness."

- 10- Our government, symbolized in our studies by the hydraheaded Scylla, grows more and more voracious with each passing administration while her policies of human good and evil, characterized by the vortex of Charybdis, swirl with ever-increasing velocity.
- 11- Yet the believer is provided with a navigational manual which enables him to steer his way through the treacherous waters of national discipline.
- 12- That manual is the <u>Bible</u> and the instructions are found in the countless doctrines found the line.
- 13- Remember, God never gives us a command to stop a certain procedure without also providing an alternative.
  - 14- Therefore, we are to stop being conquered by evil but we are told we can do it by means of "the good."

- 15- The alternative command begins with the adversative conjunction:
- >ALLA' = but; sets up a contrast between these two commands. Next we have a repeat of the present imperative of the verb:
- NIKA'W = to conquer. But this time it is not in the passive but the active voice.
  - pres = Customary; denotes what habitually occurs when a believer is positive toward doctrine.
  - act = The believer produces the action of conquering evil. In the first mandate the verb was in the passive voice and the believer received the action of being conquered by evil. Now the situation is reversed and through doctrine the believer conquers evil.
  - imp = A command to conquer evil. How evil is conquered
     is the bject of the concluding prepositional
     phrase:
- >EN + the instrumental of means from the noun:
- >AGAThO'S with the definite article TW'<sub>i</sub> = by means of the good.
  - 1- The obvious question at this point is, "What is 'the
    good'?"
  - 2- In the book of Romans, Paul uses the word 20 times.

    AGATho's speaks of good of intrinsic value.
  - This emphasizes the inner integrity which is developed from the perception of doctrine in the soul.
  - 4- Truth is the sine qua non of the Christian way of life.
  - 5- When the believer acquires a high inventory of ideas based on Biblical truth he develops Christian integrity.
  - 6- When integrity is placed under pressure the believer is challenged to remain loyal to the truth he has learned.
  - 7- When a person remains loyal to truth under pressure, his integrity is manifest overtly as honor.
  - 8- AGATHO'S thus refers to the intrinsic value of truth whether inward integrity or outward honor.

- 9- Consequently, "the good" refers to the presence of divine norms and standards in the soul; deployment of the 10 problem-solving devices; function at the 8 gates of the divine power system, execution of the Royal Family Honor Code, and circulation of maximum doctrine in the stream of consciousness.
- 10- This forms an impregnable fortress around the soul which cannot be conquered by evil.
- 11- The development of "the good" in the human soul can be tracked from physical birth to physical death by means of an equation: X + Y + Z = the good.
- 12- The  $\underline{x}$  radical will track the unbeliever from physical birth to salvation by means of "the good" of the Gospel.
- 13- The Y radical will track the believer from spiritual birth to spiritual maturity by means of "the good" of Bible doctrine.
- 14- The Z radical will track the believer from spiritual maturity to physical death by means of "the good" of advanced doctrine.

## 15- $X [HL + AOS = P_1 + BD = H_1] +$

- HL: Soul life imputed by the justice of God to biological life at physical birth producing human life. This indicates the reality of the 1st elective decree of the Infralapsarian order: to create all men. (+)
- AOS: Adam's original sin imputed by the justice of God to the genetically formed old sin nature at physical birth producing spiritual death. Elective decree #2: to permit the fall. (=)
- P<sub>1</sub>: Potential for salvation as per the 3rd elective decree of the Infralapsarian order: to provide salvation for all men. (+)
- BD: The hearing of the Gospel, "the good" which produces salvation. (=)
- H<sub>1</sub>: Confidence that through expressing faith alone in Christ alone one is saved from his sins and imputed eternal life. This is the 4th elective decree: to elect those who believe and leave in just condemnation all those who do not.

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 $Y [J_1 + J_2 = P_2 + BD = H_2] +$ 

- J<sub>1</sub>: The personal sins of all mankind are judicially imputed to Jesus Christ on the cross. (+)
- J<sub>2</sub>: The judicial imputation of God's perfect righteousness to the believer at salvation. (=)
- $P_2$ : Potential for escrow blessings in time imputed to +R. (+)
- BD: Inculcation of category three truth into the soul by means of the Spiritual Academy of Divine Didactics. This is the sine qua non for advance toward spiritual maturity and fulfillment of the plan of God in time. This is "the good" which produces Christian integrity. (=)
- H<sub>2</sub>: Confidence of receiving the imputation of escrow blessing in time at spiritual maturity.
- +: The reality of escrow blessings in time imputed to the mature believer.

In the  $\underline{Z}$  radical we see the results of the two "goods" found in  $\underline{X}$  and  $\underline{Y}$  radicals come together and form the believer's momentum for dying grace and eternal rewards.

 $Z [EL + EB/T = P_3 + BD = H_3] = EB/E$ 

- EL: Eternal life imputed to the human spirit at salvation. This is what results when one responds to "the good" of the Gospel message through faith alone in Christ alone. (+)
- EB/T: Escrow blessings in time imputed by the justice of God to +R when the believer reaches spiritual maturity. This is what results when one responds to "the good" of Bible doctrine through utilization of the grace apparatus for perception. (=)
  - P<sub>3</sub>: Potential that after one experiences physical death he will be imputed escrow blessings in eternity. (+)

B REVIEWED BEGINNING WITH "EN TW XYXBOS," P. CD/1242 AND ENDING ON P. CD/1244 AT POINT 16.

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