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## Humpty Dumpty Theology and Peter Pan Practices

Last month, I opened a discussion of the unwise venturing of certain Baptist preachers into the wonderland of the Theology of Humpty Dumpty. In Alice in Wonderland, Lewis Carroll (see the previous article for an examination of Carroll and his writing) uses the English 'nursery rhyme' character Humpty Dumpty as a hero-figure, who has a distorted view of his personal importance. The following exchange takes place in Alice in Wonderland between Alice and Humpty Dumpty:

"When 'I' use a word," Humpty Dumpty said in rather a scornful tone, "it means just what I choose it to mean—neither more nor less."

"The question is," said Alice, "whether you CAN [sic] make words mean so many different things."

"The question is," said Humpty Dumpty, "which is to be master that's all."

Humpty declared that he, Humpty Dumpty, alone was the master of the words in his vocabulary. Humpty

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As we prepare this mailing, the nation is dividing over the potential of a war with Iraq, even while suffering war casualties in Afghanistan, the Philippines, and other assorted locations including very near our nation's capital. Whether the murders in the D.C. area eventually prove to be the result of foreign plotting or not, make no mistake, the nation is at war. Setting aside, for the time, all biblical implications of the times, this war is as dangerous and massive as was World War II. "The future of the world is at stake" is an over worked phrase; but it is certainly true.

This is a religious war—however, only one side has figured that out as of yet. Zealous followers of Mohammed are determined to rule the world in the name of Allah. Twice before, such partisans

attempted the enterprise and came within one battle of succeeding each time. In the previous invasions, no quarter was sought or granted; the warfare was total, unrestrained, and uninhibited. No mercy was shown; no sanctuary was granted; no non-combatant status was recognized. This attempt will be no less vicious.

The implications for believers and missionaries in Europe (rapidly becoming Islamic), Asia, Africa, the Far East, and North America—yes, North America, where a mosque is opened every week—are great. Already there have been martyrs and there will be more, many more. There is no separation of 'religion and state' in

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Islam; Islam is both state and religion.

The West is unprepared for this war—lulled by vain philosophy, perverse disputings, profane babblings, and false religions, the people-at-large are devoid of the discernment to see the danger and lack either the character or the courage to fight such an enemy. Life is more precious than freedom in the civilization of the Western world.

I believe that the biblical "kings of the east" are the present day Middle Eastern and Central Asian nations of Islam. The stage is certainly being prepared for the last act of the drama of this age. May the LORD Jesus come quickly.

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Shame on the preachers who remain silent.  
Pity the unlearned reader.

This activity is revisionist history in its most blatant form. One might as well write that Chief Justice John Marshall cited the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in his ruling against President Jefferson, that George Washington asked what the definition of 'is' is when questioned about a deceased cherry tree, or that Bill Clinton could not tell a lie and confessed to his daddy that he chopped down the cherry tree.

To have the author of the book that I bought, Charles Haddon Spurgeon, Henry, Manton, Pierson, or anyone else preaching from the New King James Version, the New International Version, the New American Standard Version, or any translation other than those the preacher used is to take the reader on a journey into Never Never Land.

*It is a fairy tale.*

*It is make-believe.*

*It is fiction.*

*It is a lie.*

Buyers beware.

Publishers, move out of Never Never Land back into reality; return to editorial integrity. Have the decency to leave the recorded words of dead men alone.

—Pastor Manley

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refused to be bound by the power or ability of any superior authority to impose on him a requirement of conformity to definitions of words or rules of their use: Humpty believed that he could use words as his personal property to represent whatever he desired them to signify at any given time without regard to the usual and customary meanings of the words or whether anyone else might understand his use of the words. Humpty made words his personal playthings, claiming absolute freedom for his own private interpretations.

Wherever the philosophy of Humpty Dumpty is introduced, words become flexible. While this manipulation of words would make ordinary communication in conversation a comical adventure, when Humpty Dumpty's methodology is allowed to enter theology, the results are far from harmless fun with innocent consequences. Plastic words create elastic truth. Truth stretched ceases to be truth.

Humpty Dumpty Theology first appeared in the Garden of Eden; it was, and is, the language of the father of lies, Satan. His conversation with Eve focused on the definition of a single word. Satan approached Eve with this proposition, "When God said 'die,' He really did not mean 'die'; He actually meant 'a transformation, a change in knowledge and manner of living.'" Satan deceived Eve with his masterful exploitation of terminology—making words mean what he chose to have them mean—but Adam, who was there "with her" (Genesis

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3:6), acquiesced to Eve's invitation intentionally and without either coercion or persuasive argument. Adam (1 Timothy 2:14) was not deceived—meaning that he knew that what he was choosing to do was an act of defiance against his Creator and, knowing this, Adam did it anyway. Whatever might have been Adam's motivation to yield or his justification for the act of disobedience is immaterial (and not worthy of any speculation). Good incentive or an elaborate explanation cannot expunge error. No manner of the semantically stretching of truth can ever validate sin. Twisting truth fabricates error. Adam and Eve accepted the spandex theological weave of Satan and a very great fall occurred. Humpty Dumpty Theology originated in the heart and from the mouth of the father of lies, Satan. Since that introduction, every follower of Humpty Dumpty Theology has been at enmity with truth.

In this 'new age' era, when it seems that the very 'best' of the fallen world follows situational ethics, advocates floating morals, accepts provisional absolutes, believes 'true lies,' and tells 'lying truths,' the danger is extreme that believers will be infatuated with and accept situational theology as the doctrinal standard. The enticement of satanic forces or the pressure of pious peers is never far away from any believer. These last days are, indeed, perilous times where the form of godliness routinely denies the power thereof and the itching ears have a heap of 'scratching' teachers who advocate

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Christians by profiteering publishers. The motive for this publishing phenomenon, in my view, is also correctly identified as "covetousness." Charging unwritten words to the pen of the deceased is a crass deed born of greed.

These word-changing publishers are participants in a conspiracy to do what the Treasury Department calls counterfeiting, what the Library of Congress calls copyright infringement, what the Justice Department calls fraud, what the Federal Trade Commission calls deceptive practices, what the Internal Revenue Service calls creative bookkeeping, what the Security and Exchange Commission calls a swindle, what the Attorney General would label as larceny, and what even the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals would uphold as a forgery.

The substitution of one translation for another implies an acceptable equality in the eyes of the author—an implication that no one has the right to make since the author was never confronted with the choice, because the choice never existed. The author never wrote the words attributed to him. The publishers are printing books from Never Never Land.

Shame on the publisher.

Shame on the editor.

Shame on the printer.

Shame on the distributor.

Shame on the seller.

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geous conduct? Several years ago, the entertainment industry was 'scandalized' because black and white movies were colorized. Changing a director's work after he could no longer defend it was considered by many 'purists' as being akin to 'murdering' the original work. The uproar was such that it helped energize the revisions to the copyright laws of the nation. Yet, this revisionist activity of Christian literature of which I speak—a 'murderous' attack on the personal integrity of the authors in question vastly more insidious than turning the color black into the color purple—is becoming widespread and apparently is acceptable to most publishers. I have yet to see an article anywhere rebuking this crass use of the labor of the dead to turn a fast buck.

A passage of Scripture came to mind as I 'meditated' over the swindling of my funds.

1 Peter 2:3 And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you:

I had indeed been used to produce income—the work of the author was mere merchandize to be peddled in whatever form it might produce the most profit and I was a 'customer' considered only as a source of income; I too was merchandized. Feigned words are words that are insincere, pretended, contrived, artificial, and fictitious. Feigned is an excellent word choice to describe accurately this growing number of the 'new' editions of old works palmed off on this generation of

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provisional truth, sliding scale principles, and negotiable righteousness.

Let the world, on a Monday, adjudicate a biblical truth as "politically incorrect," and contemporary theologians immediately tweak the language so that by the following Wednesday, the offensive nature of the doctrine is removed and the offense of Scripture eradicated.

For example, if the exclusivity of the atonement of Christ is declared repulsive to the intellectually elite and the religiously elect, theologians and preachers race to affirm that all religions have a measure of 'light' sufficient to reveal *'the Christ'* and that the followers of any faith who accept the measure of truth that they possess will find a place in heaven. Buddhist, Hindu, Catholic, Protestant, evangelical, secular humanist, or Muslim—all these and more, it is affirmed, have a degree of light; and, therefore, it is decreed, all individuals are only required by God to follow that light to the best of their individual ability. Thus, a doctrine that was identified and condemned as heresy only a generation ago by evangelicals is applauded, in this new generation of enlightenment, by this innovative breed of contemporary evangelicals, as conciliatory and progressive—even redemptive.

Biblical Christianity, in our day in this nation, is under a stronger pressure to conform to Humpty Dumpty Theology than any previous generation. Chris-

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tians, it is pledged by politician and pundit alike, have the freedom to believe whatever they choose, but, as one secular (professed 'Christian'), national opinion shaper said on his Fox Network television program, "They (Fundamentalist Christians) do not have the right to label anyone as a sinner—that is just plain wrong. It is un-American." *[It might be shocking to this man, but a God-called preacher is concerned only with whether or not a doctrine is biblical and never considers for a heartbeat whether or not it is 'American.']* His thinking likely reflects a larger portion of American 'Christians' than most of us would like to consider. Under his brand of American 'freedom of worship,' there can be no toleration for labeling any activity as 'sin,' because everyone is free to believe as he or she chooses. That is certainly playing with the clear meaning of the words 'freedom' and 'sin.' To grant graciously the 'right' to believe, but to deny entirely the 'right' to spread the belief is precisely the same right granted believers in the old Soviet Union or in today's Saudi Arabia. That policy is but an application of Humpty Dumpty's worldview and it is neither freedom nor liberty.

Examples of this travesty abound in this, the land of the free. A self-described Baptist preacher condemns homosexuality in a news interview (*imagine, if you can, John the Baptist serving as a 'talking head' giving opinions or granting interviews*) and the world forces him to apologize. The same preacher, again in an interview, calls Mohammed a terrorist and deadly riots occur in Kashmir and Bombay, India; and, once again, he apologizes. While that preacher cannot seem to learn to keep

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now in the text.

Since the tombstone stood over this author's grave for over sixty years before the first edition of the NIV was released, the publishers altered his original work by "putting in his mouth" words that he never said or wrote, but words that he never could have said and never could have considered as a basis for his reasoning, because they never existed during his lifetime. He never wrote those words because those words never existed until nearly seventy years after he was, well, shall I just say, "no longer writing books." What the publisher presents as fact, in fact, never happened. Presenting that which never happened as reality is, from a charitable view, make-believe or fiction. A less sympathetic, more literal, description would be to label that practice as lying.

I can only wonder at what else the arrogant, unauthorized editing changed in this book. Unless I am able to obtain a copy of the original work, I will never know. Since the purchase, I have searched diligently for an original copy, thus far to no avail. The result is that I have no authentic way of knowing what the author said or how he reasoned his position from the words of Scripture. As far as I am concerned, the book that I own has no value, because I cannot know where it is a legitimate record of the man's views and when it reflects the intrusive insertions of some contemporary editor.

Why does the Christian public accept this outrage?

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works of Matthew Henry, Charles Spurgeon, A. B. Simpson, James Stalker, A. T. Pierson, some of the Puritans such as Thomas Manton, and even John Bunyan, are violated by profiteers and pirates in this cavalier fashion. As a result, the rising generation of preachers may never have the opportunity to read what these men actually wrote. Publishers are trafficking upon the reputation of dead men--a trafficking that trifles with the very reputations of those same dead men.

Some works have been 'edited' into "modern English" on the basis of the excuse of making the 'difficult-to-understand' work available for the reading ease of the contemporary audience. Such an alteration requires the use of new Bible versions, of course. In the case of the particular book by which I was victimized, the publisher removed every phrase, every verse, and every reference to the Bible translation or translations that the author actually used. This alteration is not limited to 'block' passages of cited Scripture, but extends to biblical phrases within sentences. Obviously, acting without the permission or knowledge of the nine-decade dead author, the publisher, arbitrarily, and to promote an agenda known only to the decision-making powers of that organization, substituted the New International Version (NIV) in their places. The result is a book that is not the work of the alleged author because he did not base his reasoning or his comments on the translation

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his pearls away from the feet of swine, the greater sadness is that he willingly alters his words to comply with the pressure of the ungodly. A preacher "who is not a politician but who plays one on television" has forsaken his calling. Franklin Graham--no Baptist and no fundamentalist--has demonstrated far greater strength of character and courage of conviction on the issues of sin and Islam than does this 'leader of Baptists.'

Romans chapter one and John chapter fourteen are not passages for which any Baptist preacher should ever hesitate to proclaim. How dare any Baptist preacher apologize for preaching that sin is sin? By what right does any Baptist preacher apologize for preaching that Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life and no one "cometh unto the Father" but through Jesus Christ? Why would any Baptist preacher apologize for the word of God? No Scripture requires an apology, a restatement, or some measure of "political correction/clarification." Baptist preachers are not assigned as diplomats, but are called to be soldiers (2 Timothy 2: 3), who fight the good fight of faith (1 Timothy 6:12), earnestly contending for the faith (Jude 3), and to do so without apology.

Rather than standing for truth, tragically, numbers of Baptist preachers are following this traitorous pathway that leads inexorably to arrogant Humpty's egotistical philosophy; and, in so doing, they are leading their churches and their kindred preacher followers, to-

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ward what may only be described as “a great fall.”

Humpty Dumpty stood in the pulpit,

Humpty Dumpty’s own words to emit.

Based on conjecture and not on Scripture,

Humpty’s manufacture fell in a fracture.

When the path that is chosen is going the wrong way, whatever destination is reached can never be the right place. Success may seem to rest firmly on that wall beside Humpty and any eventual potential fall may seem only a remote possibility, if it is considered at all. Perched proudly on the wall, Humpty may feel secure; but round bottom eggs, left on walls, easily become victims to whatever wind may blow. Humpty may, indeed, remain ensconced on that wall all of his life, and his inevitable fall may not occur until the Judgment Seat Day—but a fall that day will be suffering the greatest loss for a believer.

I do not intend to imply that all followers of Humpty Dumpty Theology are believers, but I do believe many are. For every Demas, who simply departs, there will be a Hymenaeus, an Alexander, and a Philetus that oppose the true doctrine and introduce the false teaching. I have heard many sermons about Demas—though he never opposed Paul and is not charged with being a false teacher—but I have never heard a sermon on the fall of Hymenaeus, Alexander, or Philetus—all three of whom were openly opposed to Paul and were

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*such patently mercenary techniques as this book is that of ‘the love of money.’”*

As I reflected more calmly about the matter, rational thought took over (finally). I was immediately grateful that I had only ‘thought’ these thoughts and had called neither the bookstore nor the publisher. However, another consideration quickly stirred my emotion again. I realized that I am not the only victim; and, unfortunately, most of the victims will never realize that they are victimized, because they will believe that either this is what the author wrote or that such a change does not significantly affect the content of the book. The more widespread the manipulative practice becomes, the less likely that it will be that the altered books are examined with suspicion or caution. This publisher is not the only ‘Christian’ purveyor of fairy tales represented to the reading public (what little of that number that is still existing) as authentic Christian books. The publishers who follow the same practice are legion and the books thus mutilated and mutated by this corruptive practice are increasing almost daily. No popular ‘sellable’ author, who has been dead long enough for the copyright on his work to expire, appears exempt from this scandalous exploitation. Of course, the writers of the past centuries were committed to writing to help believers or to reach the lost and not to making a living by selling books. Among others, the

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John Dillinger might be in the Christian publishing business. Down inside, I knew that the preacher who was responsible for the establishment of that press never would have countenanced this practice of fraud and deception. After all, he was noted for his sermons on "Spirit-filled living." In fact, the book that I purchased—the very creation of fiction that the publisher and the bookstore substituted on me—was one of his volumes on the work of the Holy Spirit!

Thinking about that odd combination of circumstances, my mind was stirred to thoughts even more distasteful.

*"The sorry, hypocritical, prevaricating scoundrels that now control the publishing ministry-turned-business have turned the organization into an enterprise dedicated to the proposition that forgery, falsification, and two-faced, double-dealing, bait-and-switch is a fair marketing practice. The good brother, in Heaven almost a hundred years, would have no fellowship with the 'brethren' who are now distributing this corrupted distortion of his books. In fact, based on his writings, he likely would not expect to see them in Heaven, because of the 'unsanctified' practices dominating their greedy, money-grubbing lives. Though still professing to have faithful, honest, dissemination of good material as their only purpose in existence, it seems to me that the sole interest demonstrated by*

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also teachers of false doctrine, but who were apparently saved. Believers can fall victim to Satan's ministers, else the apostle would not have warned believers of that very danger.

However, I also am convinced that many who advocate Humpty Dumpty Theology are not believers, but are ungodly men who "crept in unawares" (Jude 4). Satan originated the theology so it should not be surprising that it appeals to the majority of the unsaved. Some of those who are unsaved, remain unsaved and yet make their way into Christianity—a sizeable portion of these fall into cultic deviations of Christianity, others are led into liberal perversions, and, unfortunately, a few find their way into the ranks of biblical Christianity. When the presence of followers of Humpty Dumpty Theology is tolerated within biblical Christianity, they prove to be a 'mixed multitude,' like those who accompanied Israel from Egypt, sowing discord, dissent, and rebellion. A follower of perversion, whether moral or doctrinal, is always, without exception, a promoter of that deviate position. Liberal Christianity was created by unsaved theologians and clergy who gravitated to Humpty Dumpty Theology even as they repudiated biblical Christianity. In similar fashion, Humpty Dumpty Theology finds expression in every cult.

One of the earmarks of a cult is that a cult always has a mystical (secret and spiritual) vocabulary veiled from outsiders and reserved for trusted initiates. In

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such a system, those who are instructed in the 'special' vocabulary consider themselves "the privileged," the wise ones who have received the hidden knowledge. The leader is the one who determines the definition of the terms. I am not suggesting that all of these men that advocate or accept altered truth are cultists—I am saying and saying it as plainly as I know how that the followers of Humpty Dumpty Theology are practicing cultic style manipulation of the language and terminology of scripture and from that cultic practice cults will surely grow.

For instance, the introduction of charismatic terminology, charismatic music, and charismatic practices into Baptist churches is only the precursor to the preaching of charismatic doctrine. Charismatic doctrine is the only logical outflow of charismatic terminology, music, and practices—because that is the doctrine that produced those very practices, that terminology, and the music. Those birds of the same feather will always flock together. The Toronto Blessing, the Brownsville Revival, and the other 'manifestations' of 'impartations', with their outbreaks of 'spirit' (most surely not the Holy Spirit) induced barking (like dogs), howling (like wolves), oinking (like pigs), writhing (like snakes), staggering (like drunks), and other foolishness, are but symptoms of the cult. [Dogs, wolves, pigs, snakes, and drunks—that alone should be enough identification for a believer to know that the Holy Spirit had no part in the matter.]

Brethren, how is it that charismatic 'worship' music finds a welcome in the majority of Baptist churches

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chores done, the animals all fed, and supper ended, I opened the bag containing my 'find,' retrieved my new book, opened it up, and quickly discovered that I had purchased a fairy tale. Even though that 'thing' lying on my desk had the right title, the correct author, and the exact publisher of the volume that I sought, that 'thing' on the desk—the book that I bought was not what I thought; it was not the doctrinal classic that I sought. This assembled collection of pages on my desk definitely was not the book that the identified author wrote.

*Certain unpleasant, very unkindly thoughts began to find free-flowing expression in my mind.*

*"You bought a counterfeit."*

*"You thought you were purchasing 'designer merchandise' and all you have is a forty dollar sweat-shop rip-off."*

*"You have been swindled."*

*"This sheep has been shorn. You were fleeced by some supposed fellow sheep that probably are really goats."*

*"You were the gullible mark; the duplicitous publisher conned you."*

*"You are a victim of deliberate fraud. The bookstore secured your money under false pretenses."*

*"You were taken for a ride."*

I sat there behind my desk feeling like the dope that had been duped. I began to wonder if a relative of

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It happened, in fact, locally and it occurred only a few weeks back in the middle of the summer. In the process of researching a topic, I realized that I needed, a particular book, first printed in 1895, to verify a critical reference to that work made by a writer. Not having the time for an Internet search to locate a used copy, and since the market for out-of-print Christian books in Pensacola does not rise to a level demanding several outlets, I could only hope that the volume, an old doctrinal classic, might still be in print and that it would be available in one of the four local Christian bookstores that I use. With the devolution of the Christian reading public in its fleshly fascination for fantasized romantic fiction and imaginary, conjectured, fictionalized 'commentary-novels,' the older, biblically solid, doctrinally sound works are becoming difficult to find anywhere but in used book stores; but I am a pessimistic optimist, so to the stores I headed.

In my fourth choice of bookstores, I was relieved and grateful to find the exact title by the very author. It seemed that the old, respected publisher had continued to keep this classic in print. Gratefully, but a little regretfully, I laid down two Jacks, picked up some Lincolns and a Jefferson, accepted my book, and left with a depleted wallet but carrying an inflated sense of relief with my accomplishment.

That evening, all ministry tasks finished, all family

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in most cities right now? As the proverbial camel that is allowed to insert his nose inside the tent soon has his total being in the tent, just so the toleration of charismatic music inevitably will bring the whole body of charismatic practice and theology inside the church. Let the music get a nose 'under the tent wall' and the applause will presently be 'within the tent' and the drums soon will beat on the platform. Once the music moves within a church, the terminology and the practices follow quickly and the doctrine is seldom farther away than the replacement of a single church staff member. The old folk of the church most often are too tired or too browbeaten to fight the invasion and the young people are too immature to discern the deceit or too intimidated by their youth to oppose the dishonesty of the Humpty in the pulpit. *Keeping the nose of the camel out of the tent is far easier than evicting the whole camel. Usually, any attempt to dislocate the camel requires such a struggle for possession of the tent that a new tent is the only solution.*

This subtle pattern of infiltration and overthrow and the wreckage that it leaves behind is repeated across this nation exactly as it exists locally in Pensacola. The observation of the history of Baptist churches over the last fifty years indicates that the average Baptist church is one staff member change away from compromise and one pastor change from the beginning of the road to eventual apostasy. When pastors decide to change ministry direction or practice, they must replace any members of the staff that were 'reared' on the former standards; new blood is needed

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to sell the idea to the congregation. After a series of changes by the pastor of his standards for practices produces an influx of new members, the vocal leadership of the congregation is geared for the big change—the change in doctrine.

Look around at the results of Humpty Dumpty Theology. Wherever one looks in America, one may

1. witness a generation of Baptist preachers who proclaim doctrines that repudiate every distinctive doctrine that our fore-parent Baptists gave their lives to defend. These are counterfeit Baptists—Humpty Dumpty snake oil, play-actor, illegitimate Baptists.
2. observe a generation of evangelicals who deny the evangel—they do not believe that Jesus Christ is the only way of salvation. These are cheap imitation evangelicals—Humpty Dumpty fraudulent evangelicals.
3. see a generation of conservatives who are to the left of Ralph Elliot and not a step behind Norman Vincent Peale following Hybels, Warren, and anyone else who can produce a crowd. These are Humpty Dumpty pseudo-conservatives.
4. behold a generation of fundamentalists who question the fundamentals, of separatists who do not separate, of preservationists who cannot find what was preserved, of independents who are fully dependent, and or Protestants who have no protest left. These are Humpty Dumpty word game theologians all.

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Humpty Dumpty Theology always creates terribly tragic scenes and pitiful characters.

However, Humpty Dumpty is not the only 'patron saint' of this generation of preachers. Many it seems are devoted followers of Peter Pan. There is an orphanage in England that, I am informed, still holds the title deed to Peter Pan. Just as one is supposed to pay royalties each time "Happy Birthday" is sung, so telling the story of Peter Pan would require permission and a fee for the use of copyright material. However, most of my readers possess the common knowledge that Peter was a refugee from reality, seeking asylum with the 'Lost Boys' in Never Never Land. For my purposes, that information is sufficient. If any reader desires more information about the inhabitants of that non-existent, mythical, make-believe, fairy-tale land of pretense, a trip to a local library might prove helpful. Otherwise, mind the dust, as we observe the flight of believers in the company of Peter Pan into Never Never Land and the acceptance of Peter Pan Practices.



It was *not* once upon a time.  
 It was *not* long ago.  
 It was *not* in a land far away.  
 It was a fairy tale nonetheless.

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