

"And while He yet spake, behold a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near unto Jesus to kiss him. But Jesus said unto him, 'Judas, betrayest thou the Son of man with a kiss?' " Luke 22:47-48 KJV



Scripture is read and then reinterpreted by the media mogul “faith merchants” with their plastic hair as they strut about on stage proclaiming healing power, weaving a magic spell over millions as they claim to love God and obey Him. Jesus is still being betrayed with a kiss! They say all the right phrases, but the context is all wrong. If their followers would simply read God’s Word, these snake oil salesmen would be revealed for what they are, shysters and thieves! They are selling the “Water of Life” which people could go to the “Fountain” and get for free. TV is Church like an auto repair video is a garage. “Church” is translated from the Greek “ecclesia” meaning a “called out” or “invited Assembly.” Being homebound and invalid makes me acutely aware of the fact that I cannot be part of the “Assembly.” This is why I am most grateful for visits from Church folk who come to fellowship and pray with me. When they are here, we become the “Assembly,” because Jesus said, *“where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”* If you are watching it on TV, you are not part of the “Assembly” any more than watching Superman enables you to fly. It’s simply entertainment. You have to go to the “shop” if you want to get your car “fixed.” Selling faith is big business! The only way to tell a fake is to know the real thing. *“Ye shall know the Truth and the Truth shall MAKE you free.”* Who would sell what God gives freely away? I can only think of one person who would benefit from draining the treasuries of the Church to feed the greed of little wannabe gods; Satan! People who “buy” faith do so because they do not want to obey God’s Word. They want a shortcut. Christ went TO the lame and blind. He didn’t make them come to Him even though some did seek Him out. On top of that, His healing was free to those who called on Him and repented. How many times did He say, *“Thy faith hath made thee whole?”* These frauds claim that it’s the “victim’s” faith at fault if “healing” doesn’t occur. How convenient! If that is true, and it is, why do folks need a “faith healer?” How many have been caught “staging” a miracle? Oral Roberts built a hospital. Why???? Why aren’t “faith healers” in hospitals? I’ll tell you why, **“THEY CAN’T HEAL! THEY ARE FRAUDS!”** If you give them your hard earned money, you are a poor steward and you deserve what you get, NOTHING! If it wasn’t for the money these guys rake in, they would be selling bad cars to good people. They’ve become just like Pharaoh’s magicians, faking miracles, and they’re going to get plagued like everyone else when judgment falls! Many believers fall for this tommyrot because they do not read and study God’s Word for themselves. Counterfeit is self-evident in the presence of the real thing!

The merchants of faith have many men fooled,
Because of the greed that over them rules,
God’s wonderful Word will bring to the Light,
Their greedy dark lies all into plain sight. ~CGP

People who buy into this nonsense should also buy lottery tickets. They would get better odds. Faith is *“the gift of God, NOT of works, lest any man should boast.”* Simple obedience to God’s Word proves your faith. *“Hereby we do know that we know Him (Jesus), IF we keep (obey) His commandments (Word).”* The best lies are always wrapped in Truth. Poison can be hidden if you add enough honey. It tastes good, but it still kills!

"And He said, 'Take heed that ye be not deceived: for many shall come in my name, saying, 'I am Christ;'' and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them." Luke 21:8 KJV